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# THE ROLE OF VACUUM-LIKE AND MEDIUM-INDUCED EMISSIONS IN JET QUENCHING

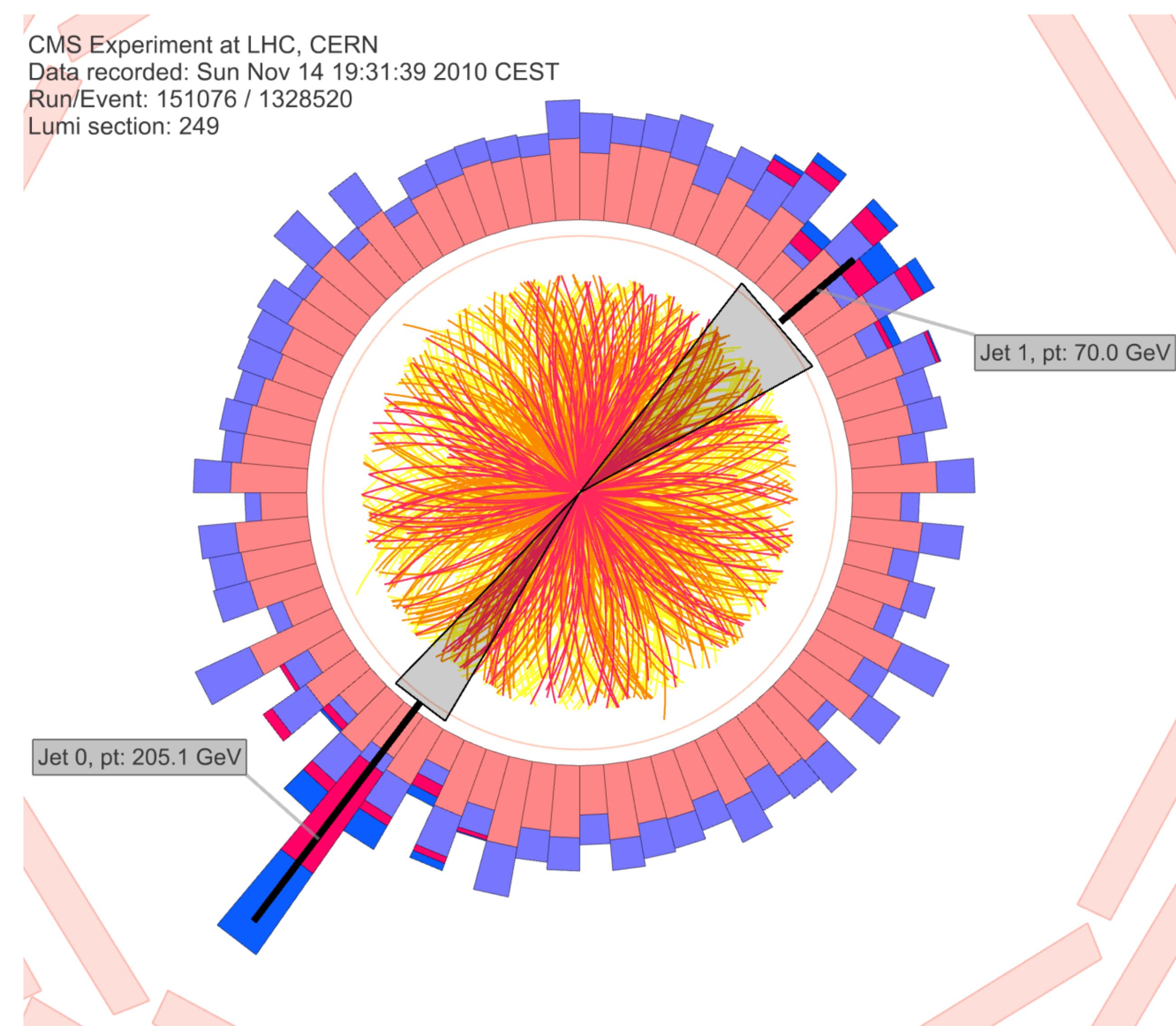
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# Jets in medium

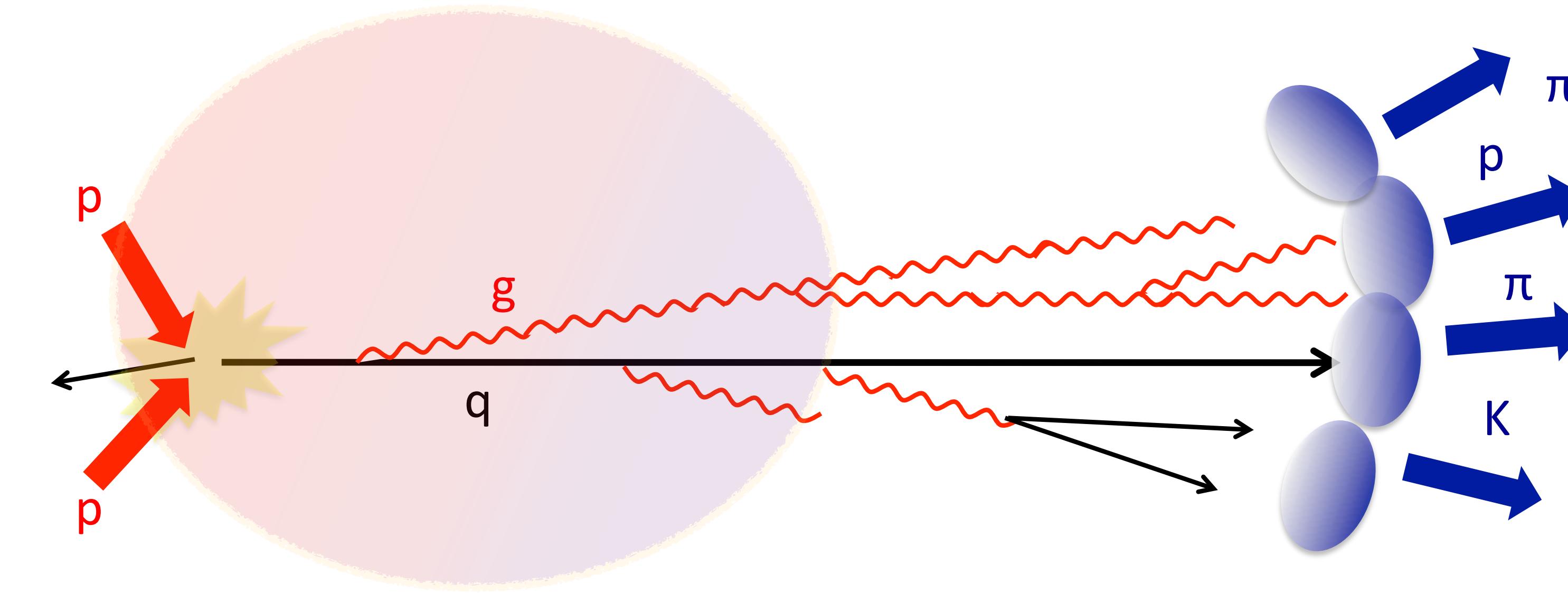
Spacetime structure of QCD jets.

Sensitivity to properties of the quark-gluon plasma.





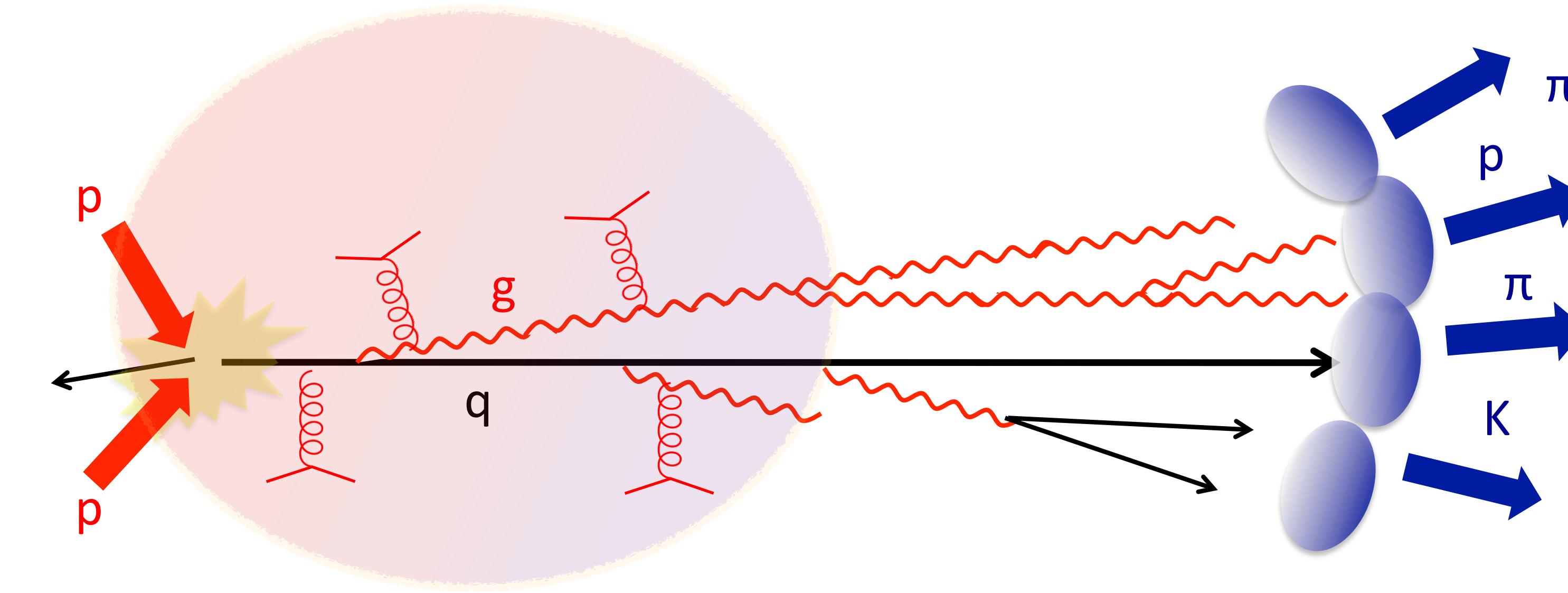
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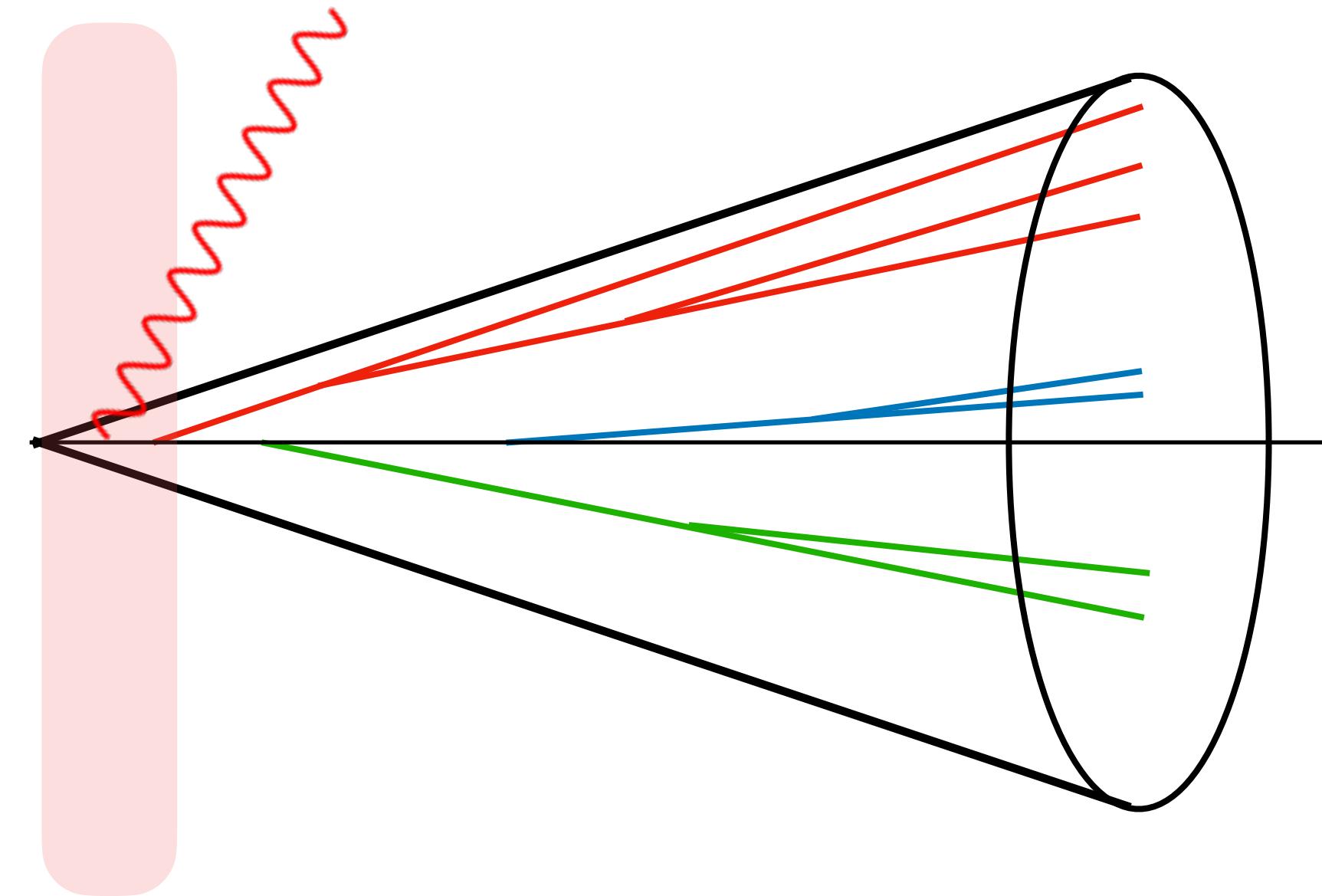
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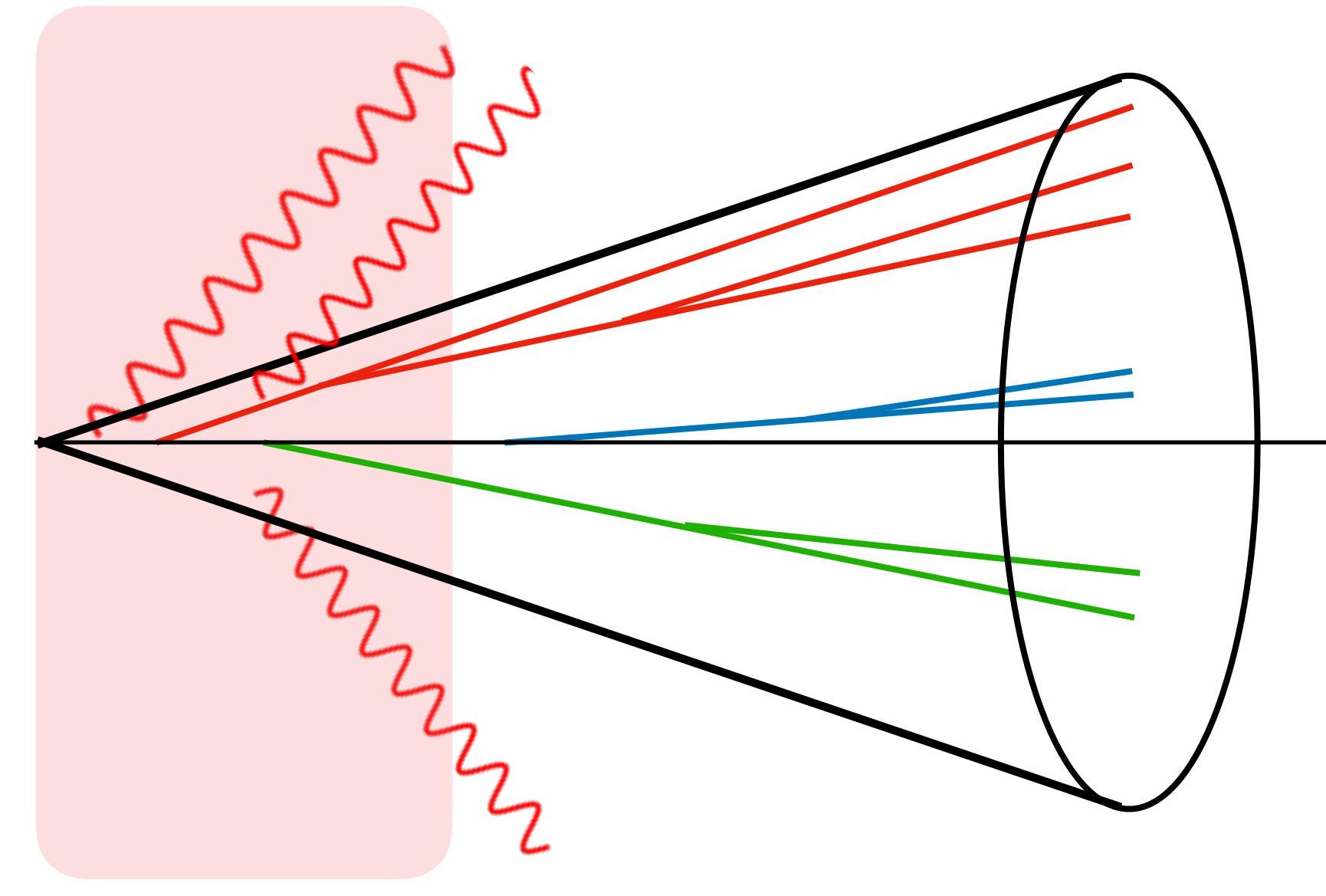
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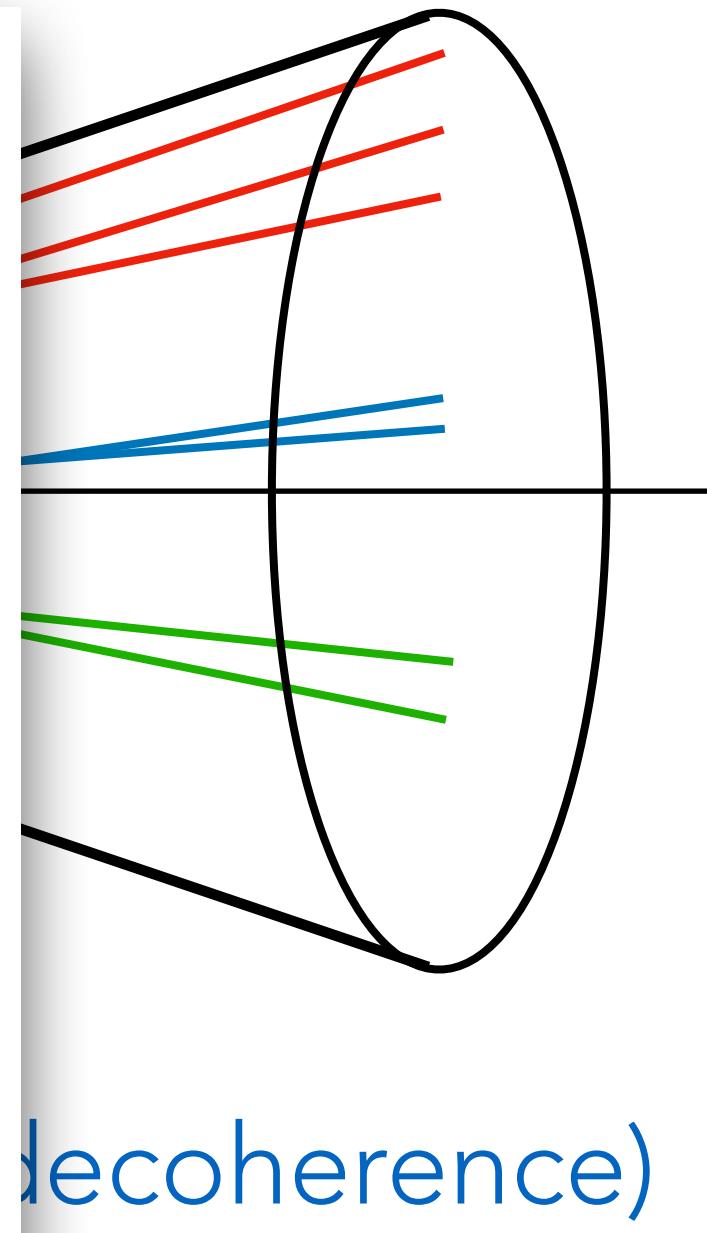
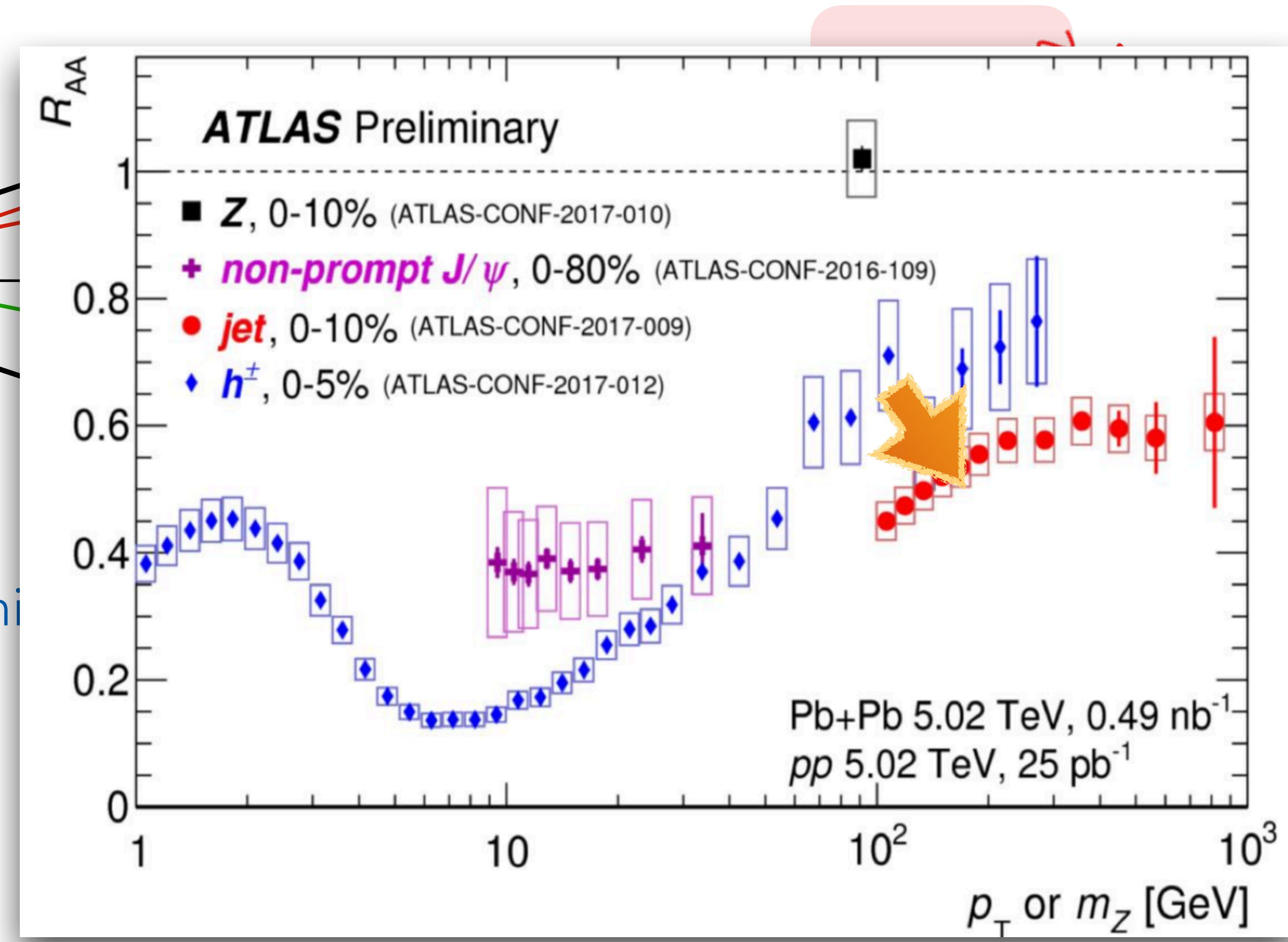
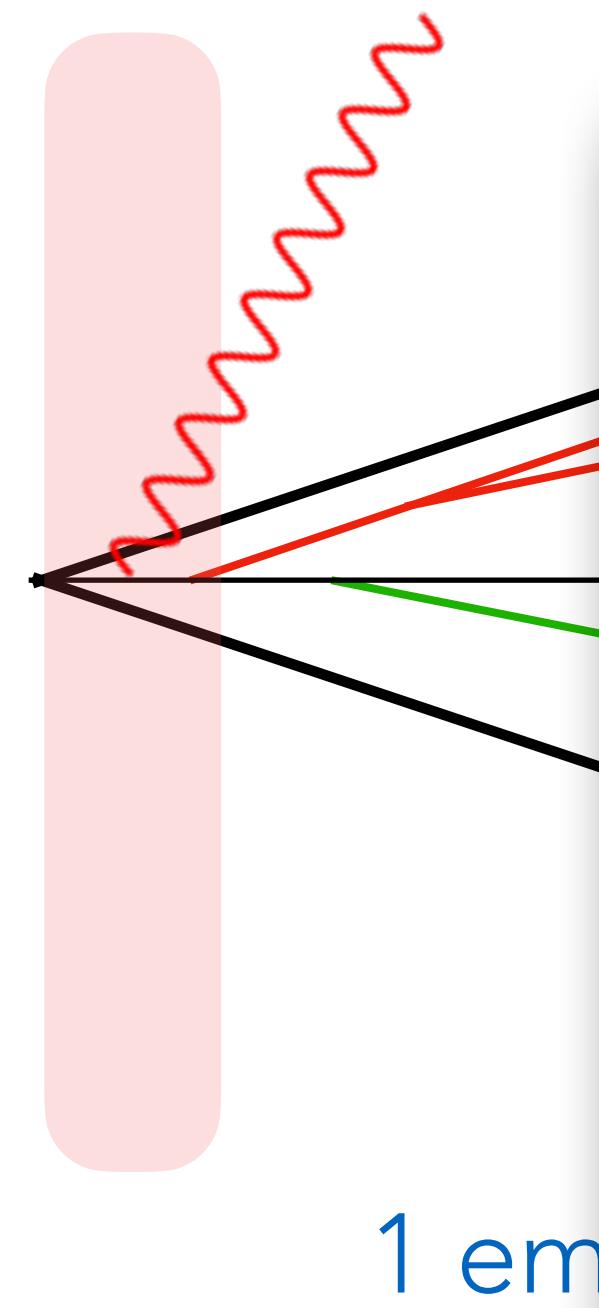
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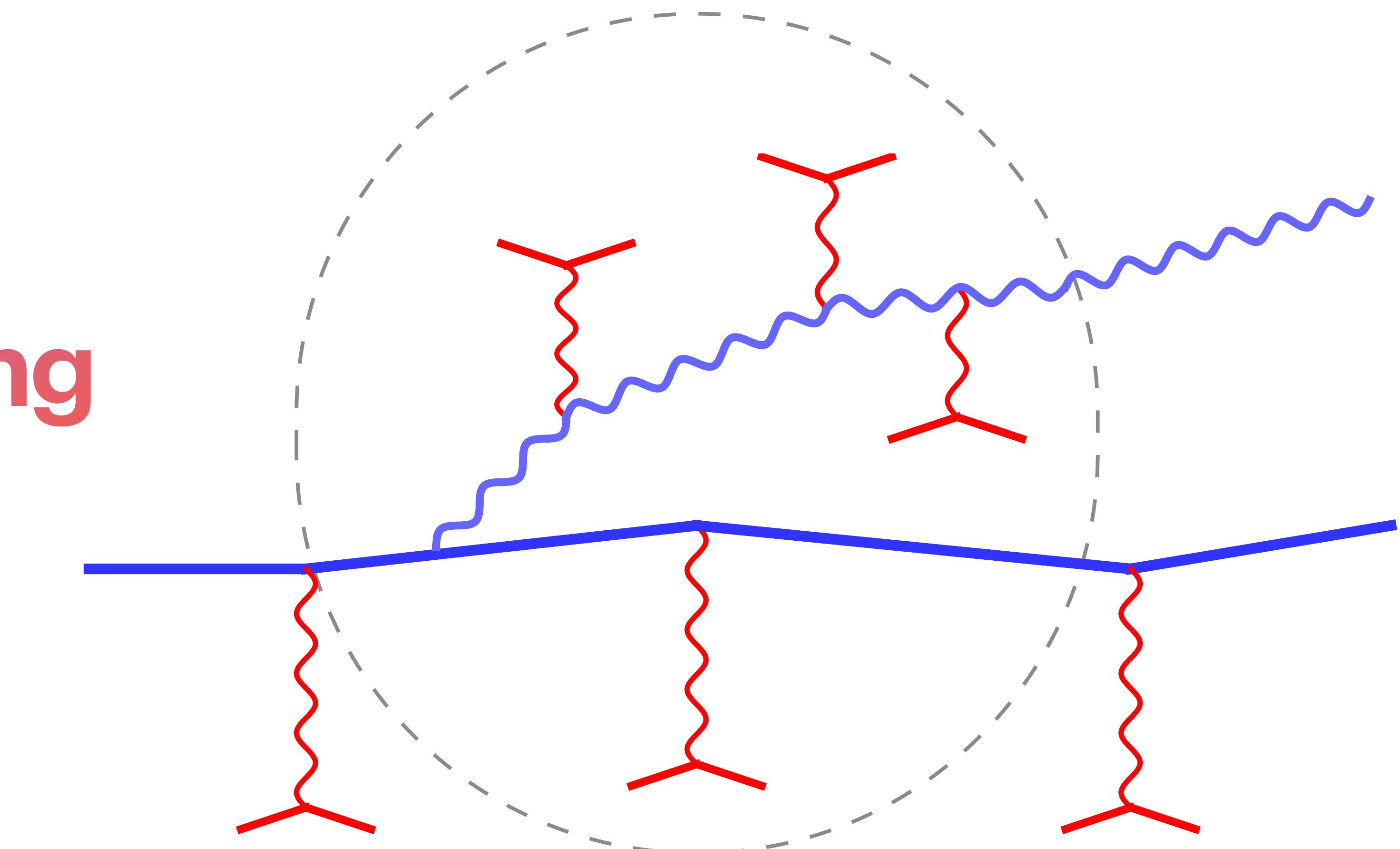


n emitters (partial decoherence)



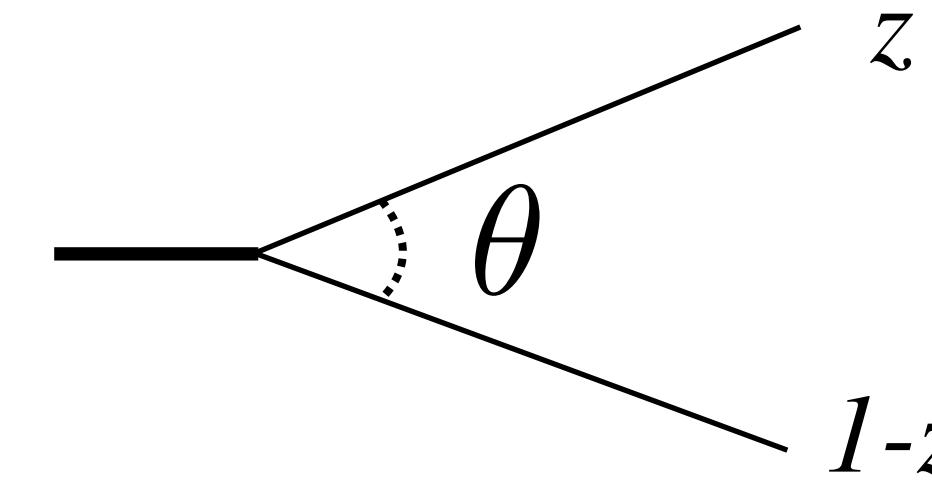
## **1→2 parton splitting**

**Vacuum-like & medium-induced gluon radiation**





# PARTON SPLITTING IN VACUUM



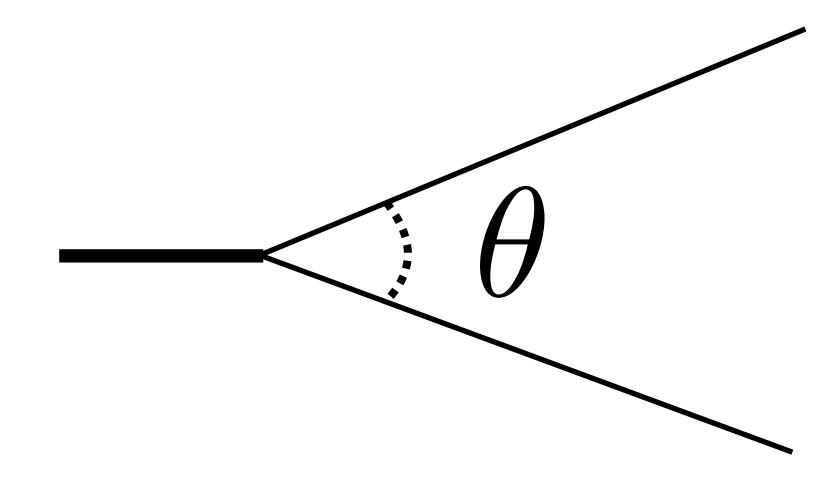
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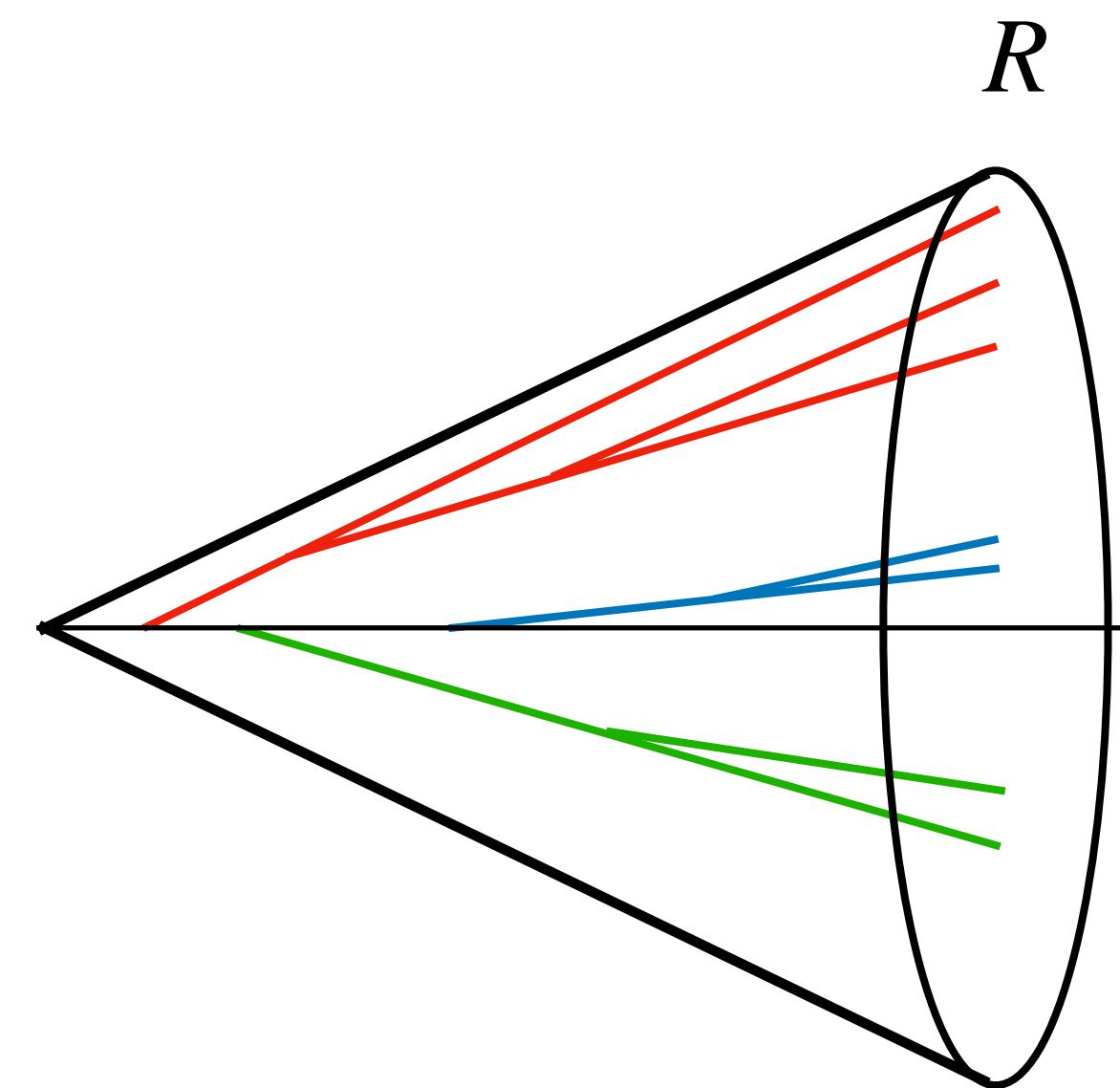
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Large phase space for radiation compensates  $\alpha_s$ !

$$\text{Prob} = \frac{\alpha_s C_R}{\pi} \log^2 \frac{p_T R}{\Lambda_{\text{QCD}}} \gg 1$$

Need for resummation of collinear logarithms for final-state radiation.



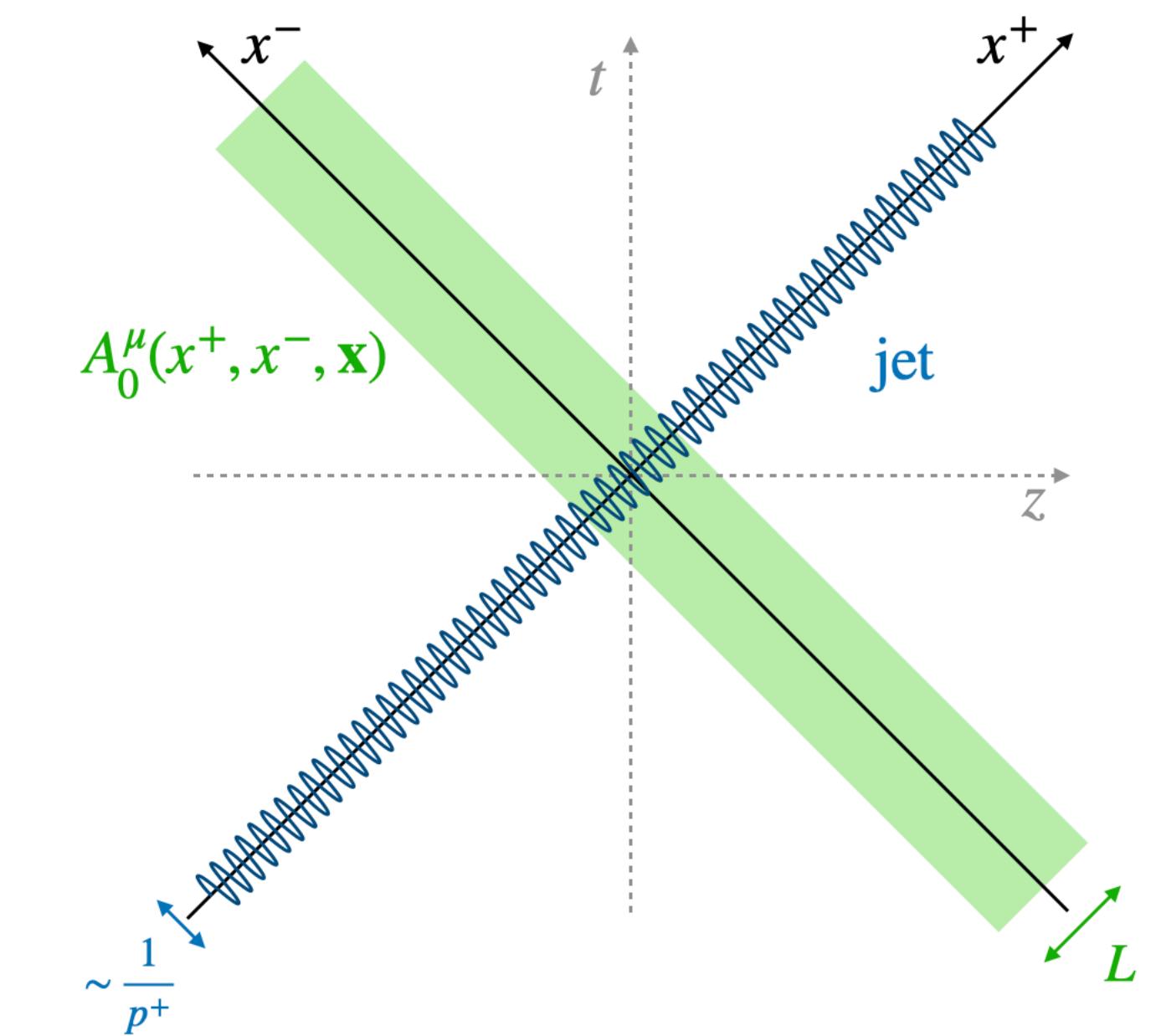
# PARTON PROPAGATION IN THE MEDIUM

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Setup: light-cone perturbation theory in  $A^-$  background field ( $A^+ = 0$  gauge).

Dressed (scalar) propagator:

$$(x|G_{\text{scal}}|x_0) = (x|G_0|x_0) + 2p^+ \int_z (x|G_0|z) ig\mathcal{A}_0(z) (z|G_{\text{scal}}|x_0)$$



Neglecting  $x^-$  dependence in the potential:

Conservation of large momentum component  $p^+$ .

$$(x|\mathcal{G}(t, t_0)|x_0) \equiv 2p^+ \int dx^- e^{ip^+(x-x_0)^-} (x|G_{\text{scal}}|x_0)$$

$$\left[ i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial_\perp^2}{2p^+} + g\mathcal{A}_0(t, \mathbf{x}) \right] (x|\mathcal{G}(t, t_0)|x_0) = i\delta(t - t_0)\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0)$$

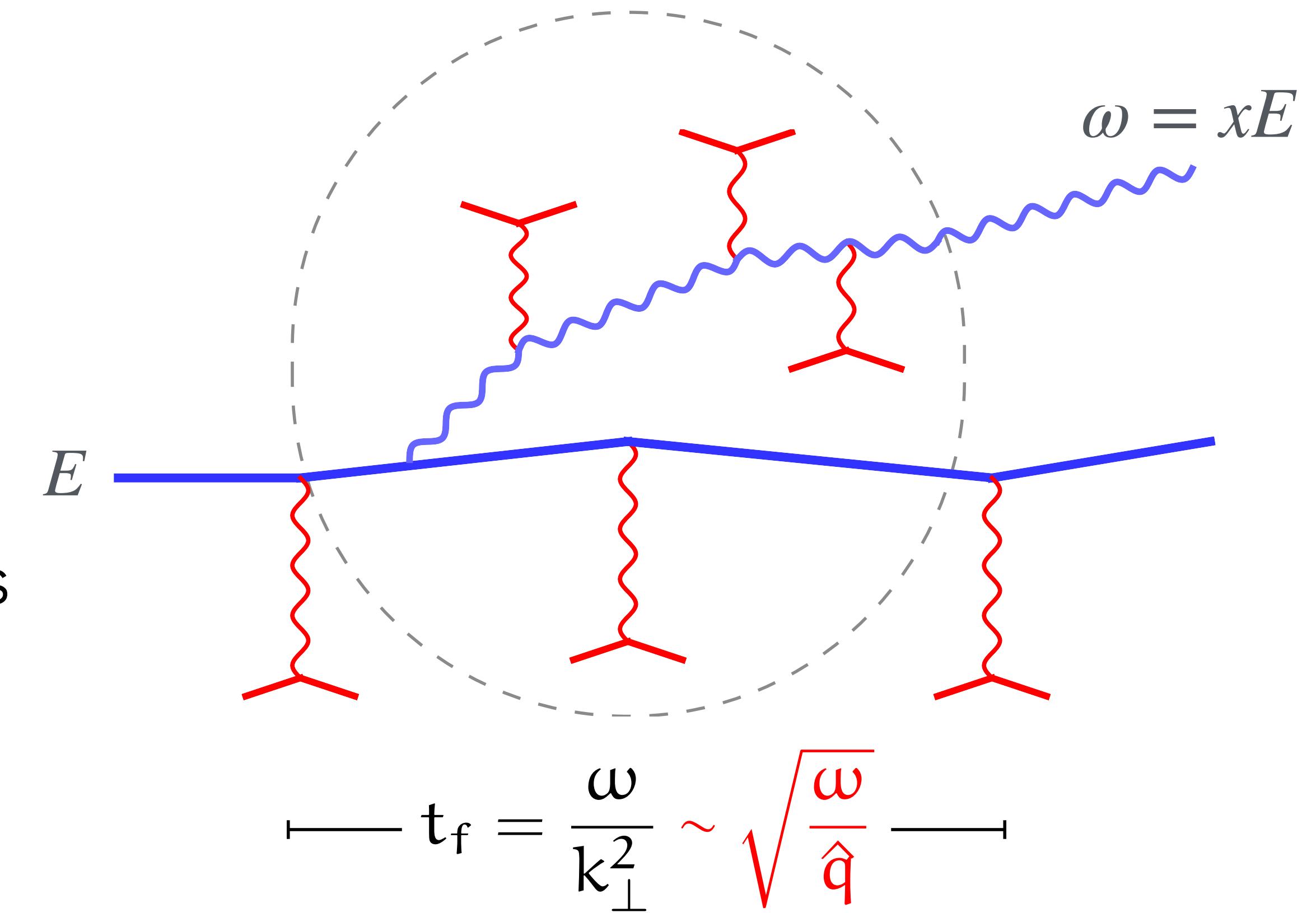
2+1D time-dependent Schrödinger equation with  $m = p^+$ .



# MEDIUM-INDUCED RADIATION

Momentum diffusion:  $\langle k_\perp^2 \rangle = \hat{q}t$

- Many interactions occur during the formation of a soft gluon.
  - Interference between interactions leads to “shadowing”.
  - LPM suppression of radiation.
- No collinear divergence!
- In QCD: formation time of gluons decrease with energy!

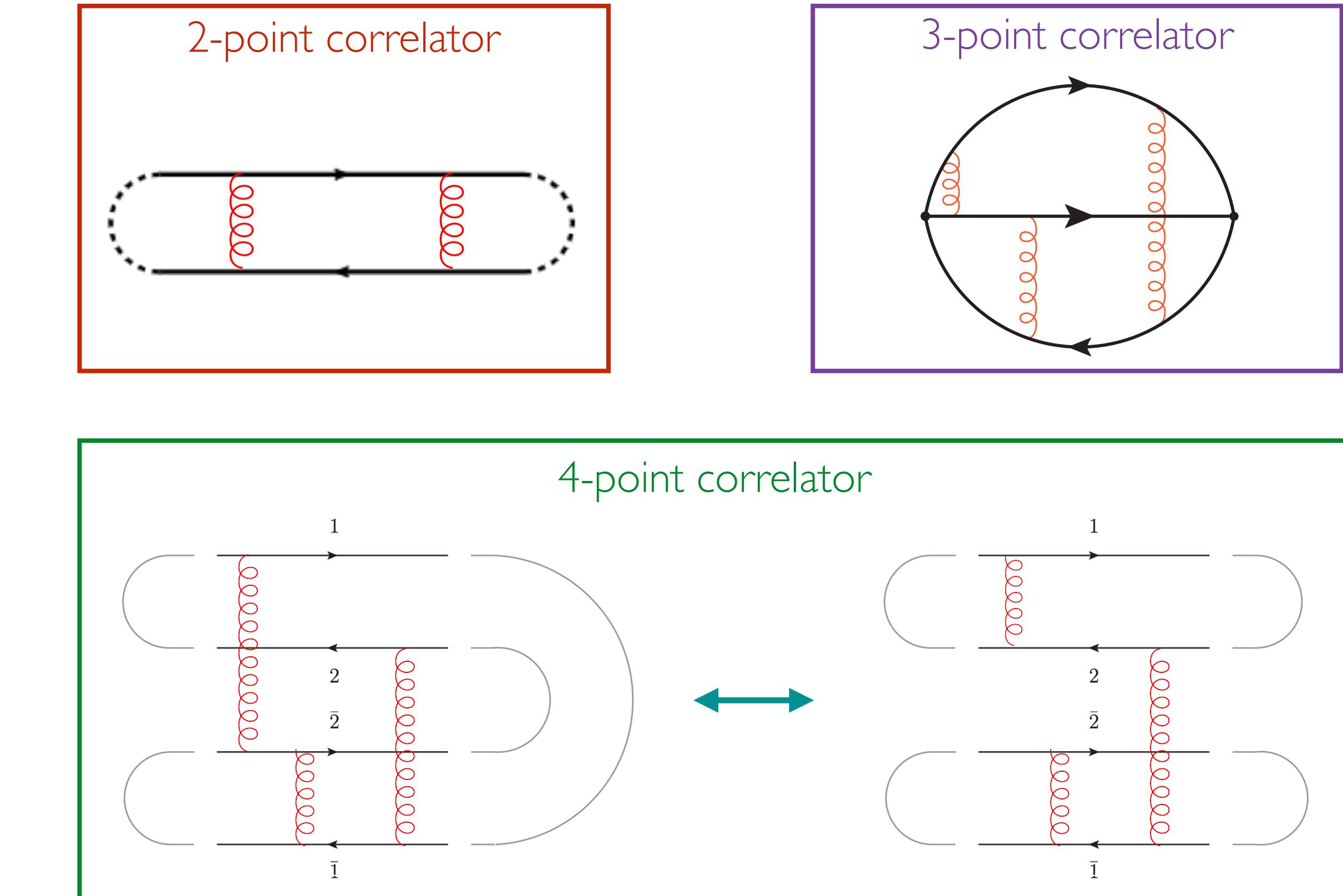
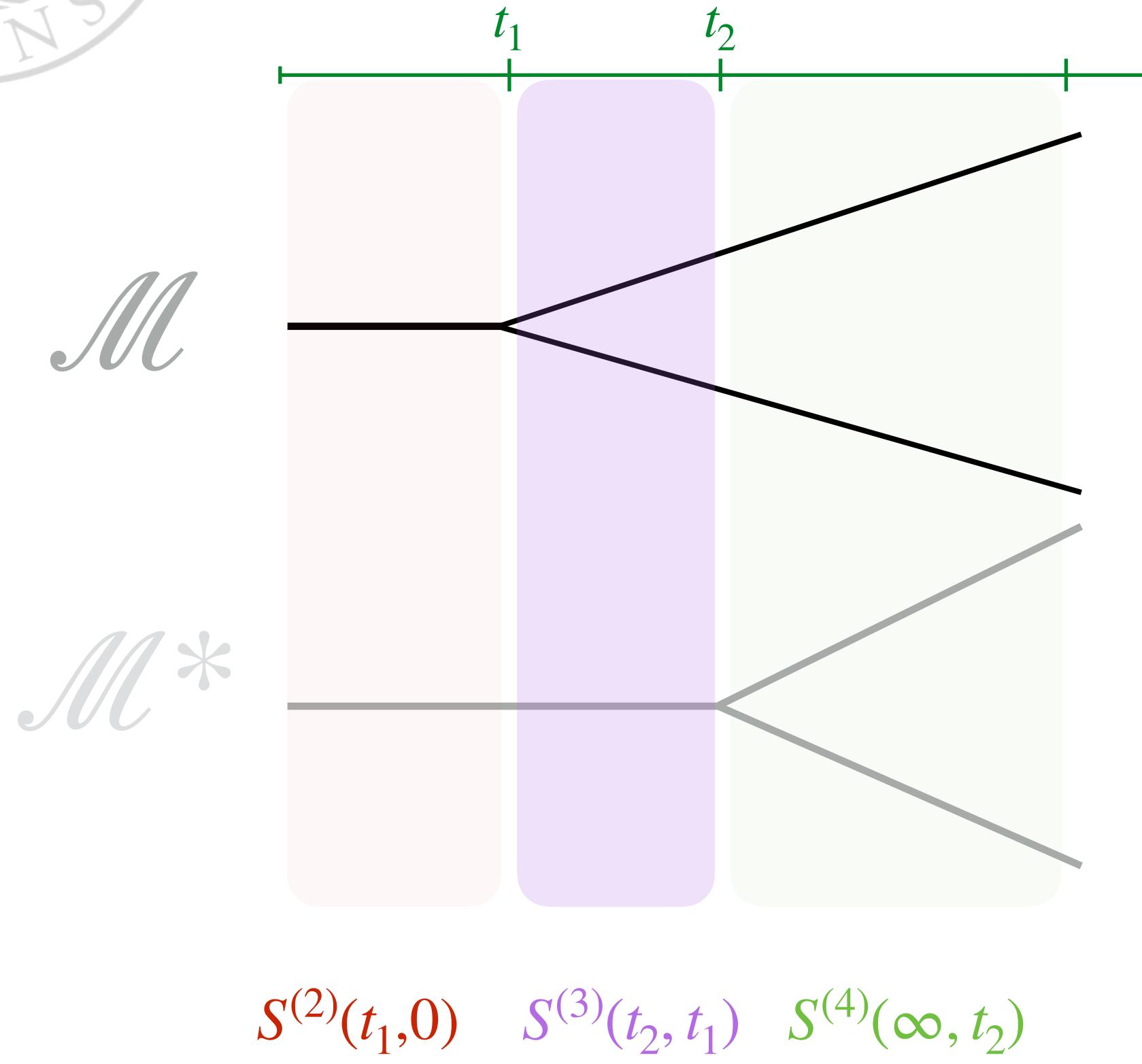


$$\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} \sim \alpha_s C_R \frac{L}{\lambda} \rightarrow \alpha_s C_R \frac{L}{t_f}$$



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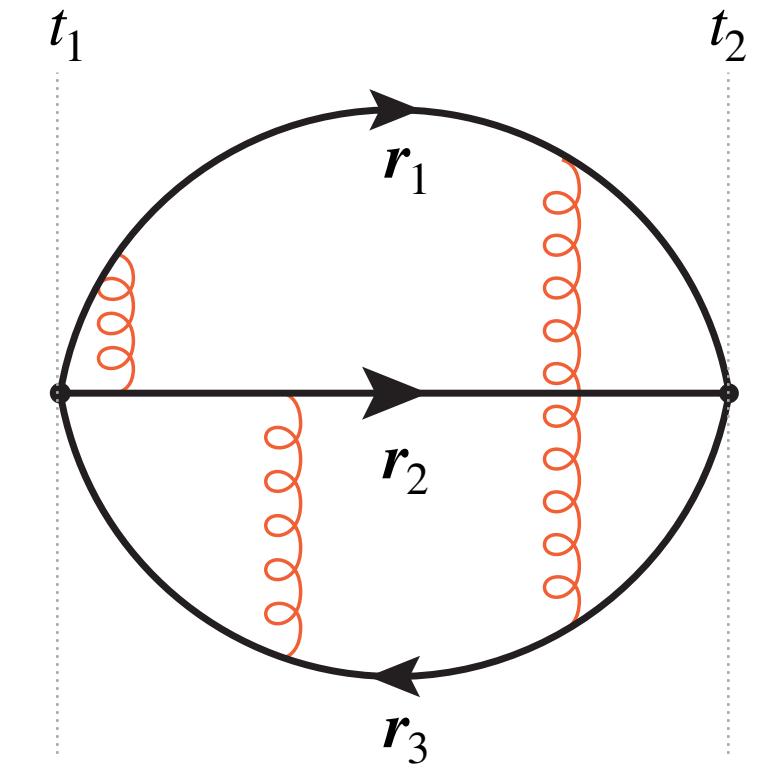


- $n$ -body correlators of dressed propagators resum medium interactions evaluated in the background of fluctuating medium.



# THREE-POINT CORRELATOR

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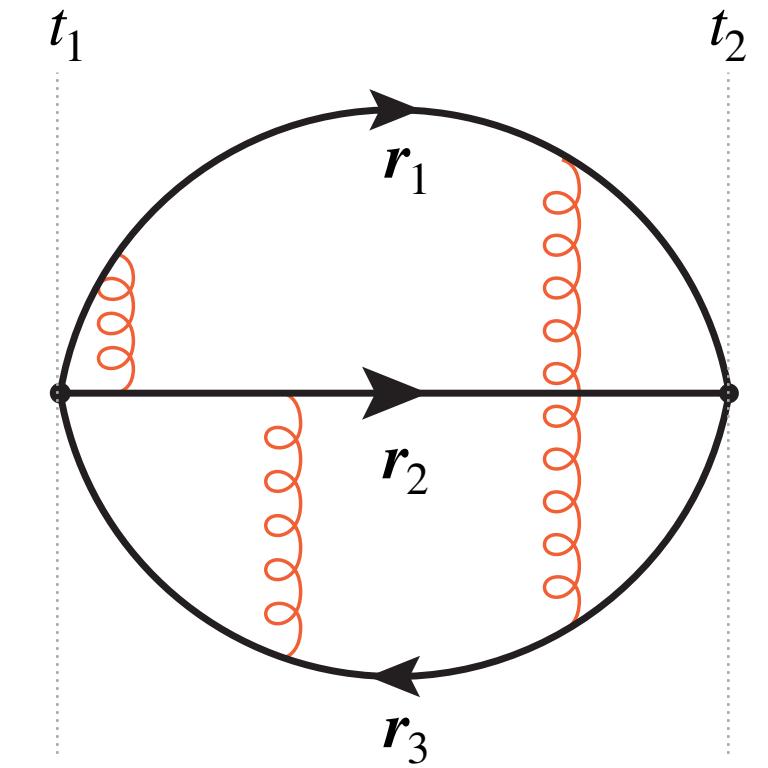
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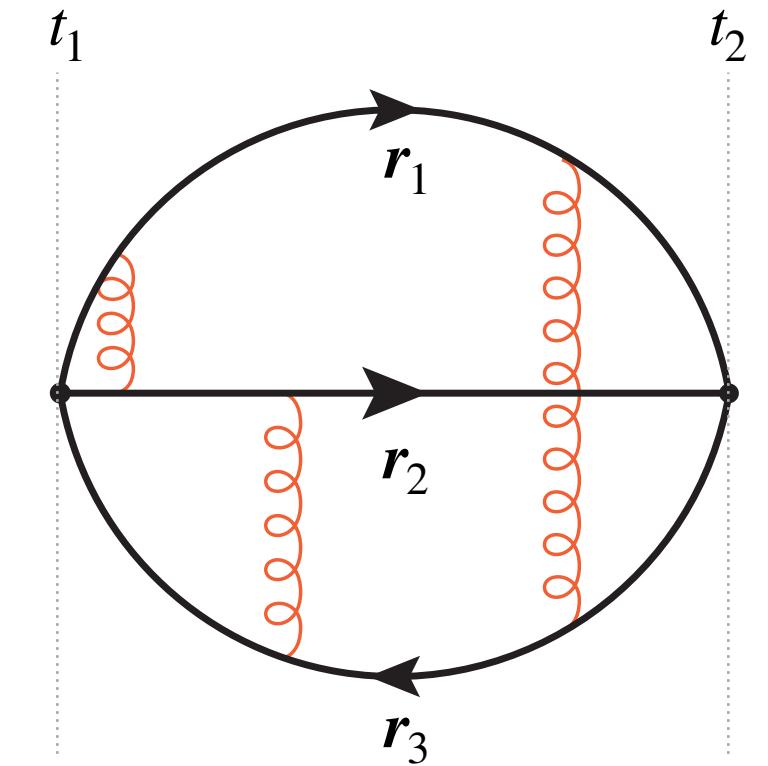
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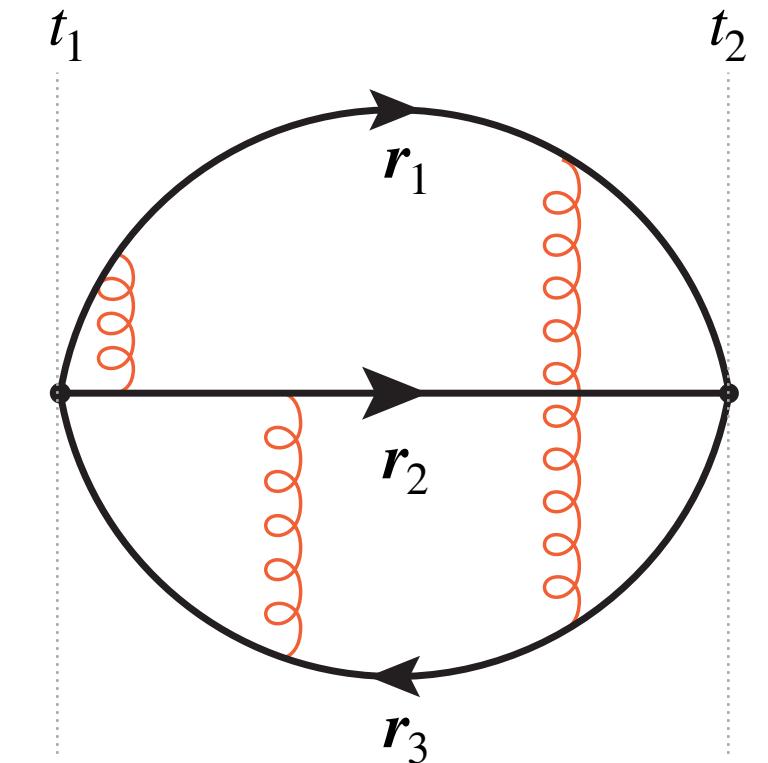
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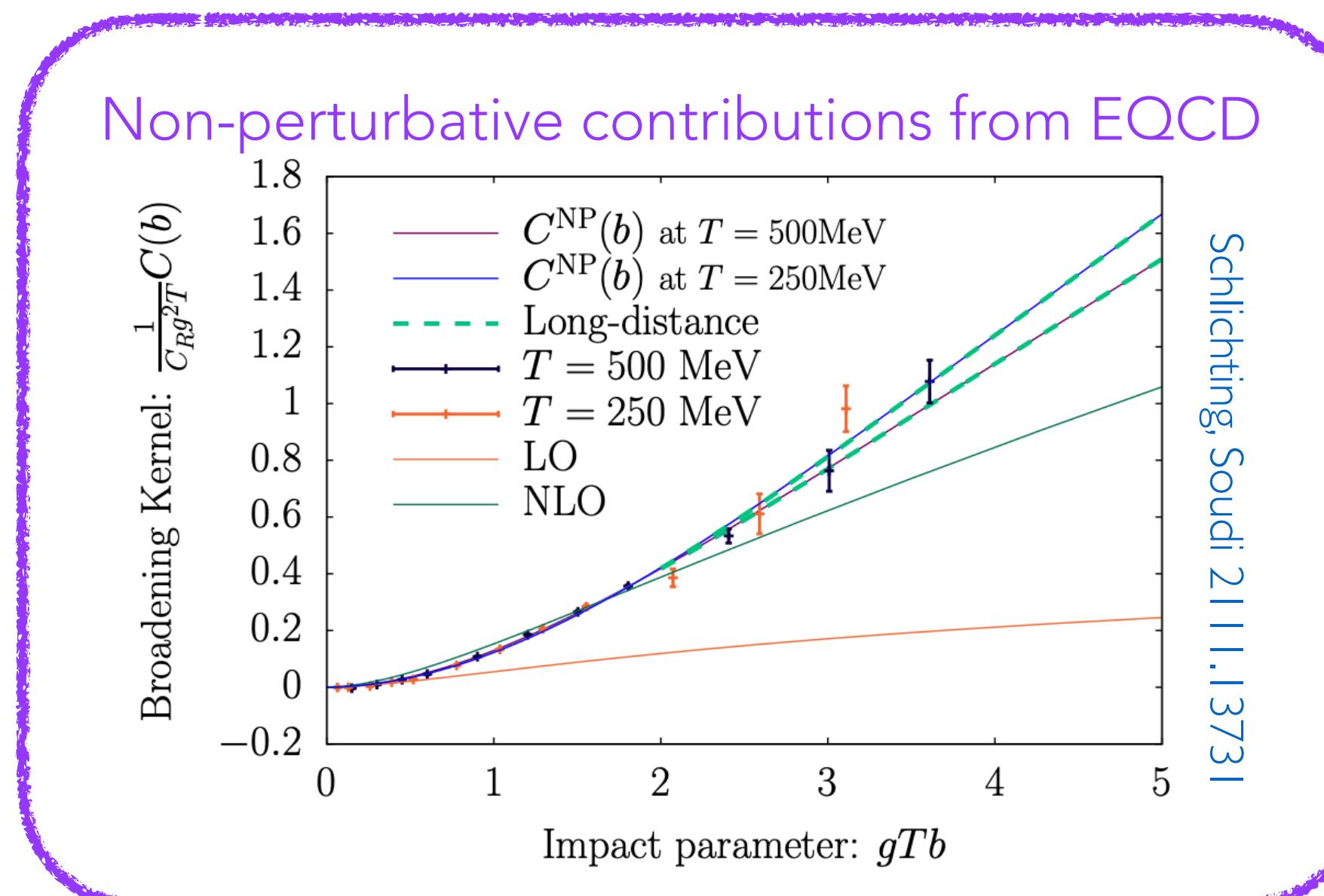


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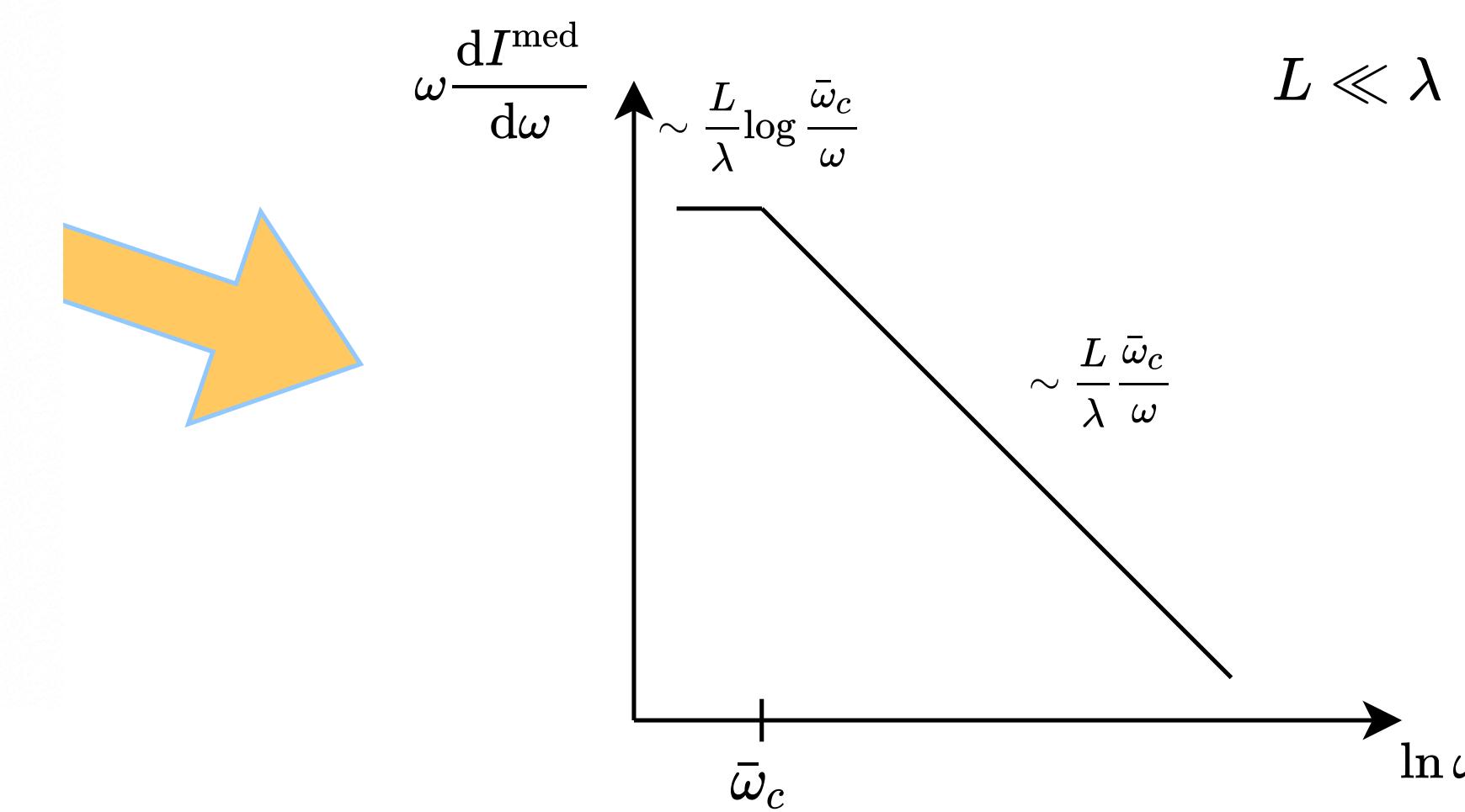
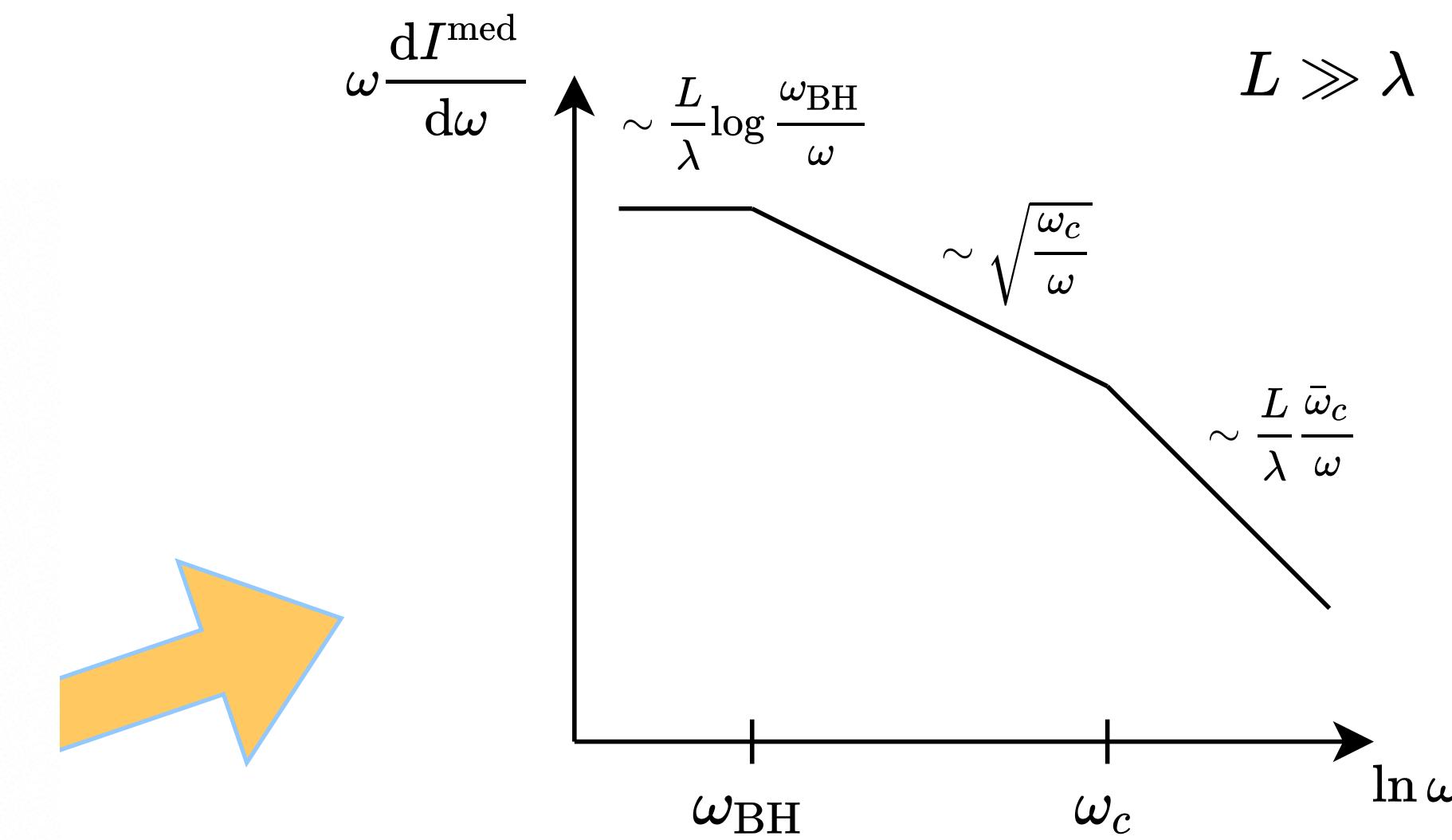
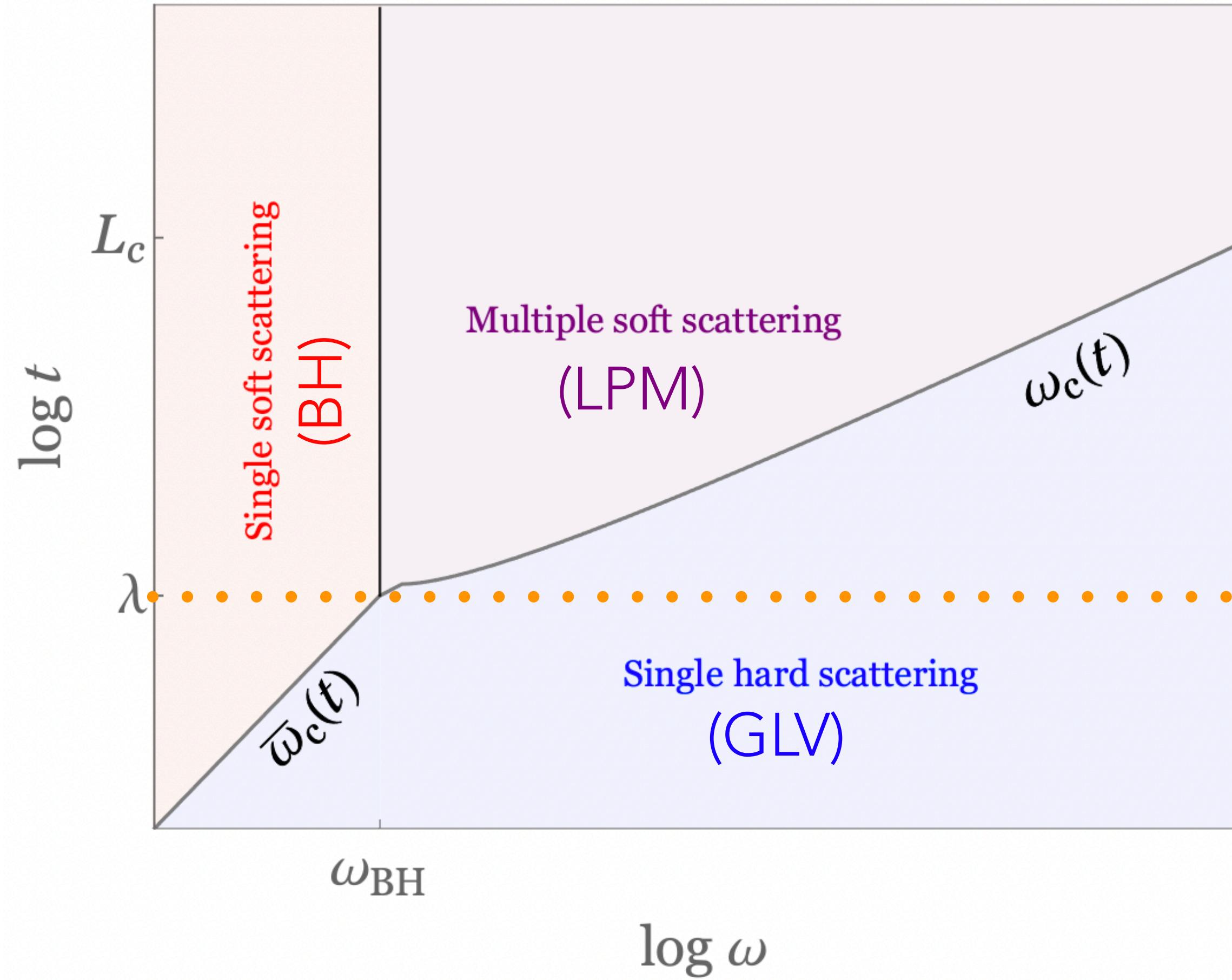
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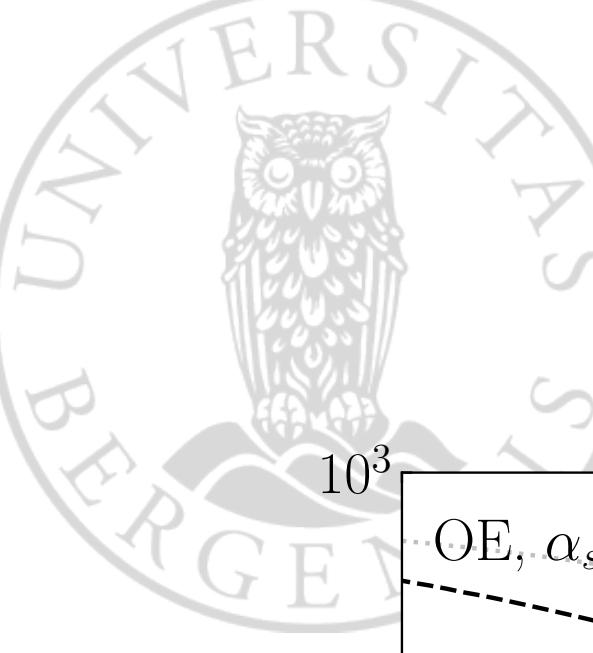


# FEATURES OF THE SPECTRUM

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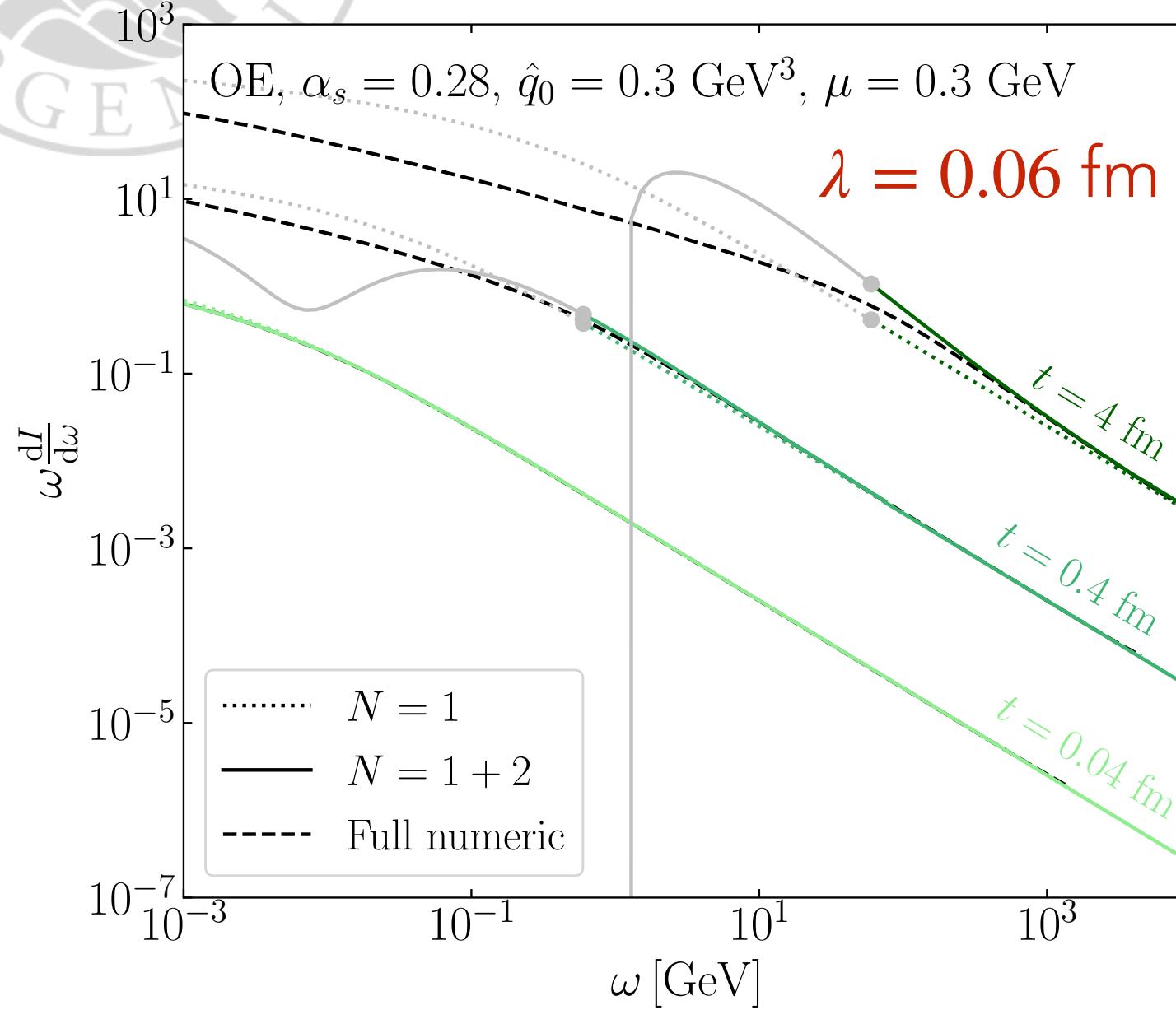
Analytic control in full phase space!





# RESUMMATION SCHEMES

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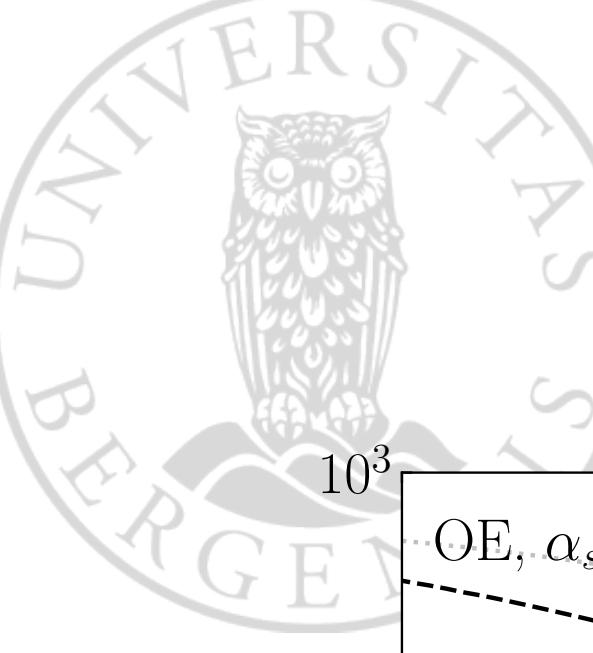
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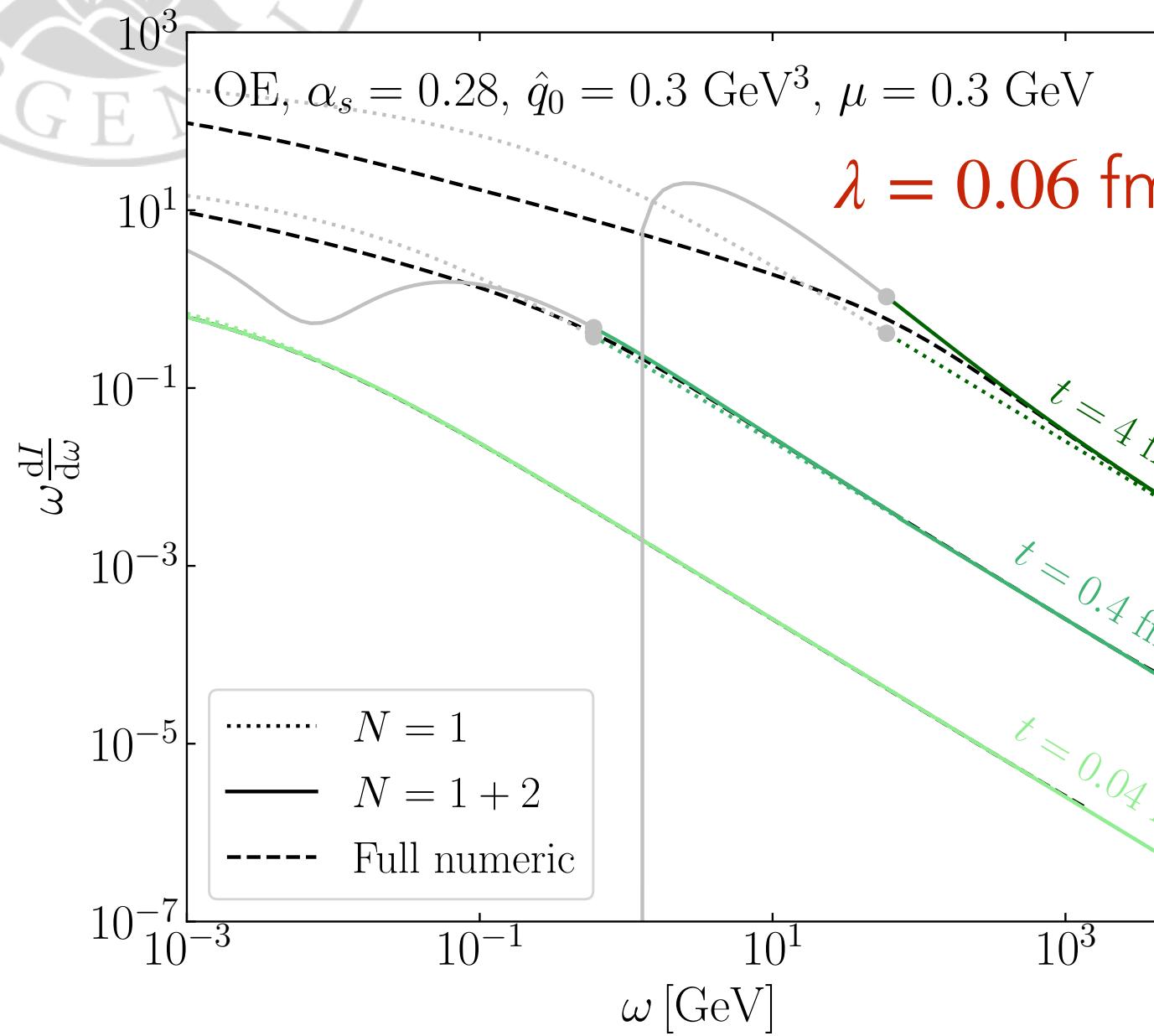
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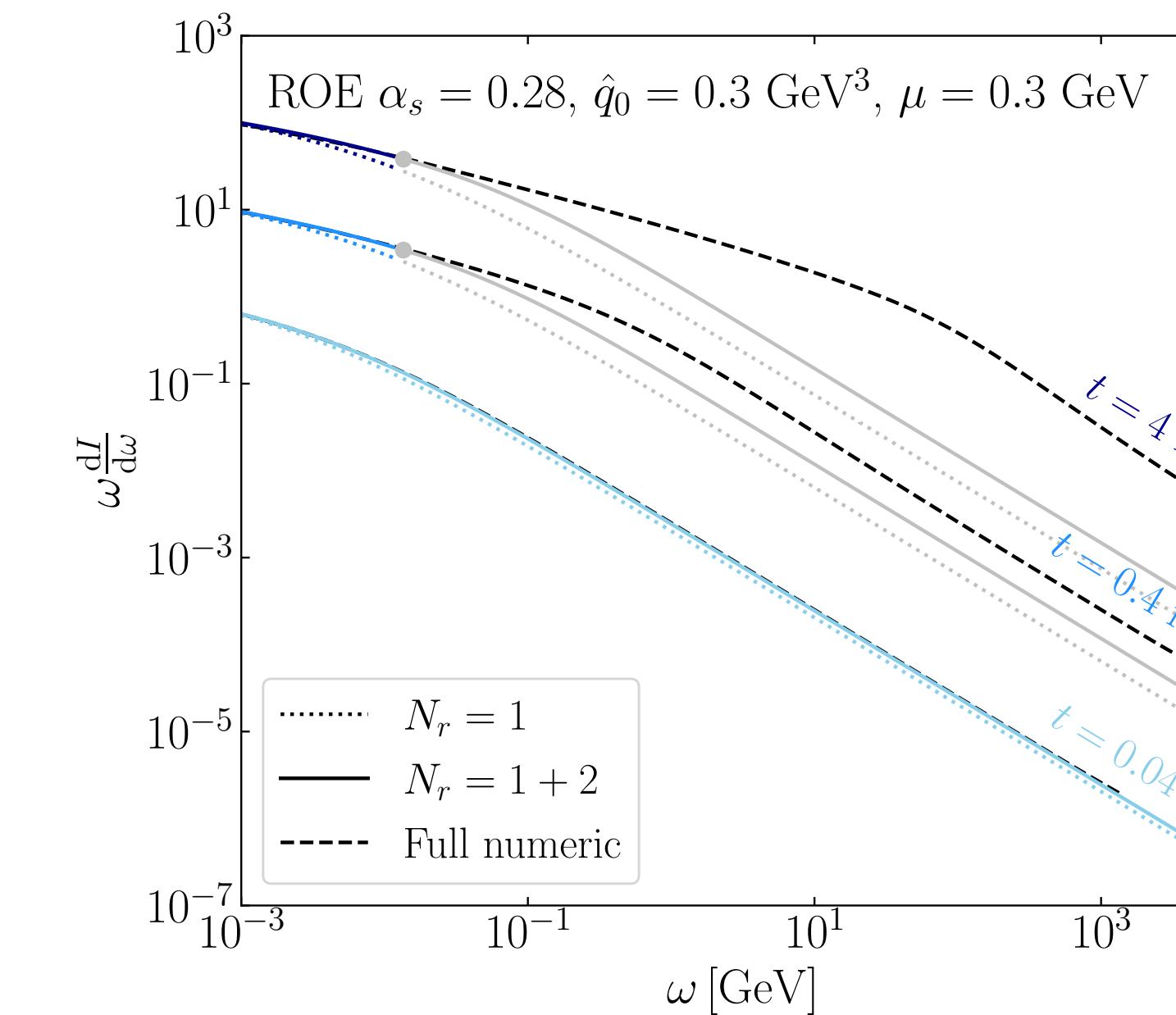
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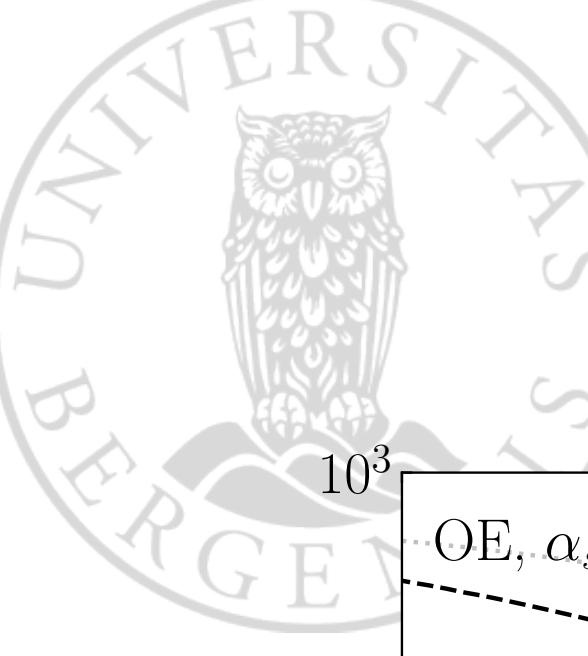
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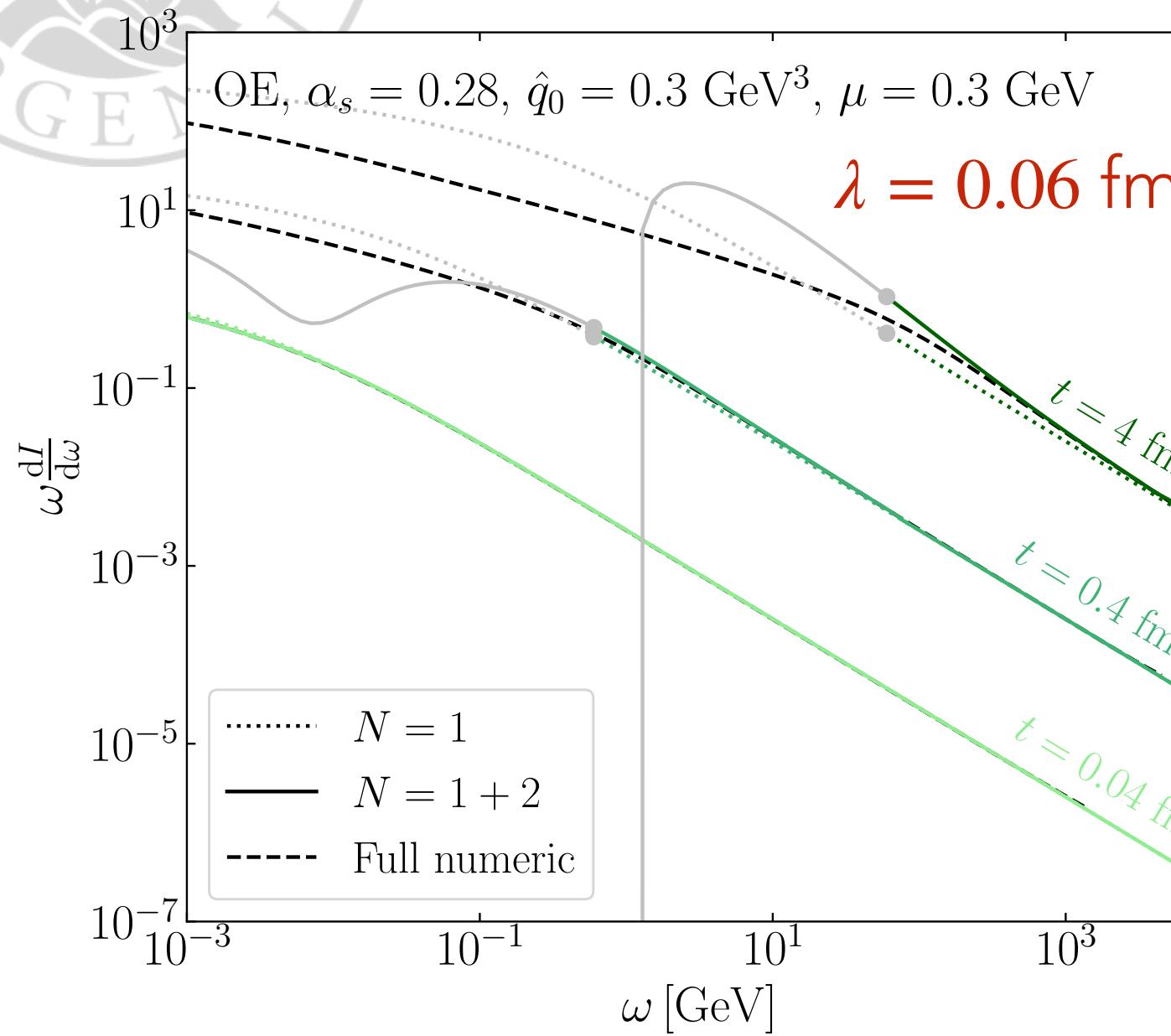
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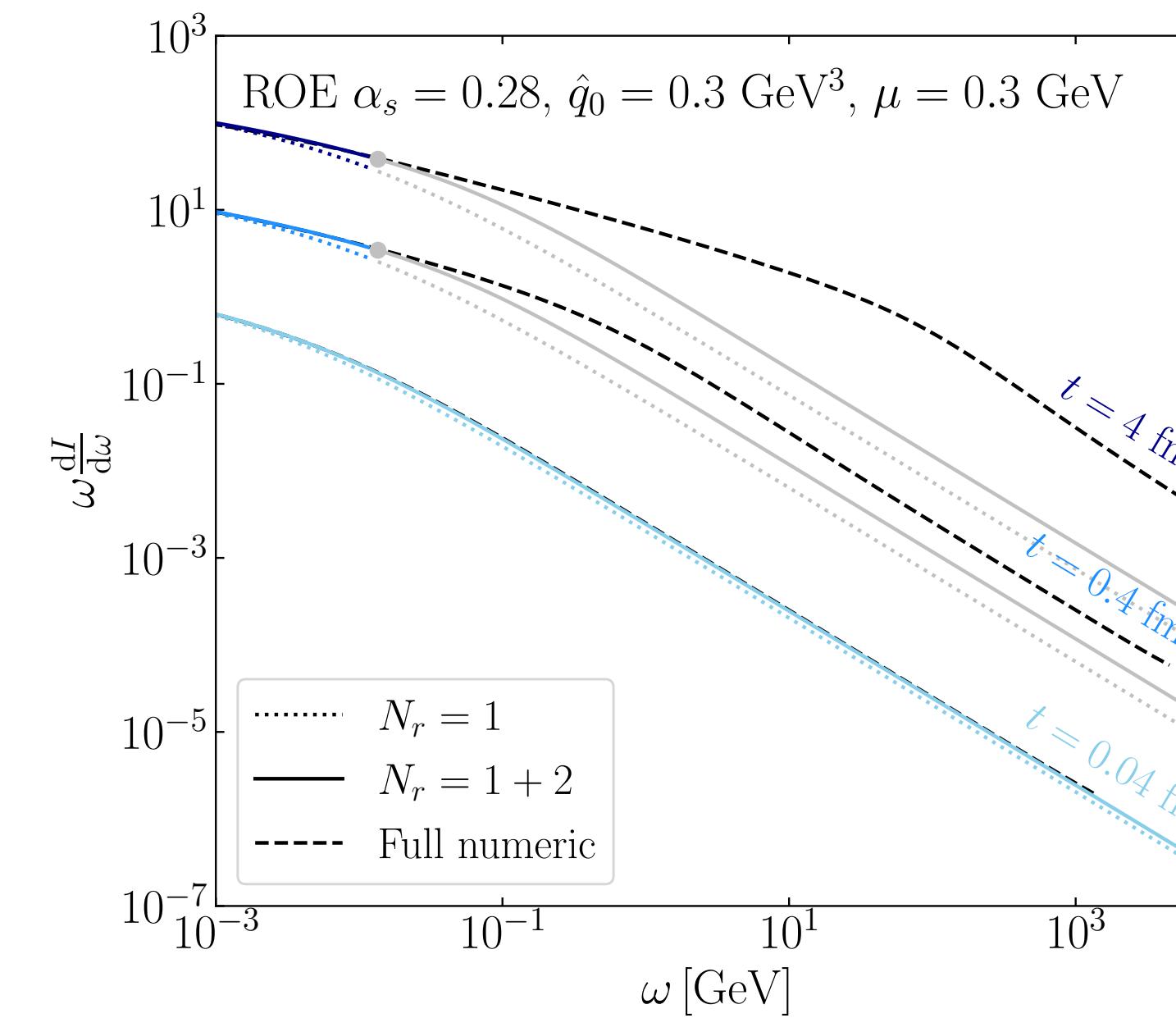
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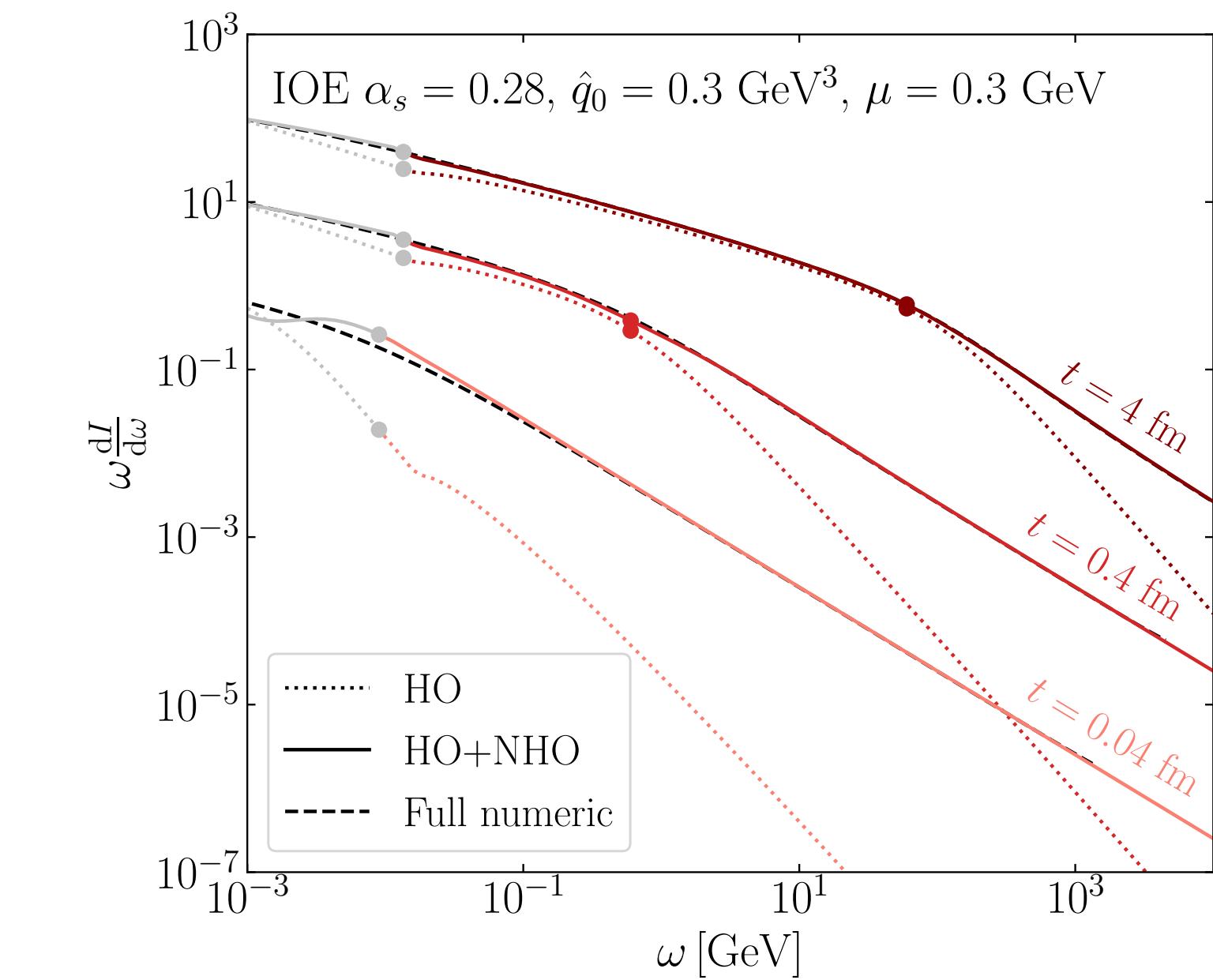
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## Improved opacity expansion:

Expansion of rare, hard scattering on top of the harmonic oscillator solution.

Scale dependence of transport coefficient.

*Converges in dense media above  $\omega_{BH}$ .*

$$\omega_c(t) = \frac{1}{2}\hat{q}t^2$$

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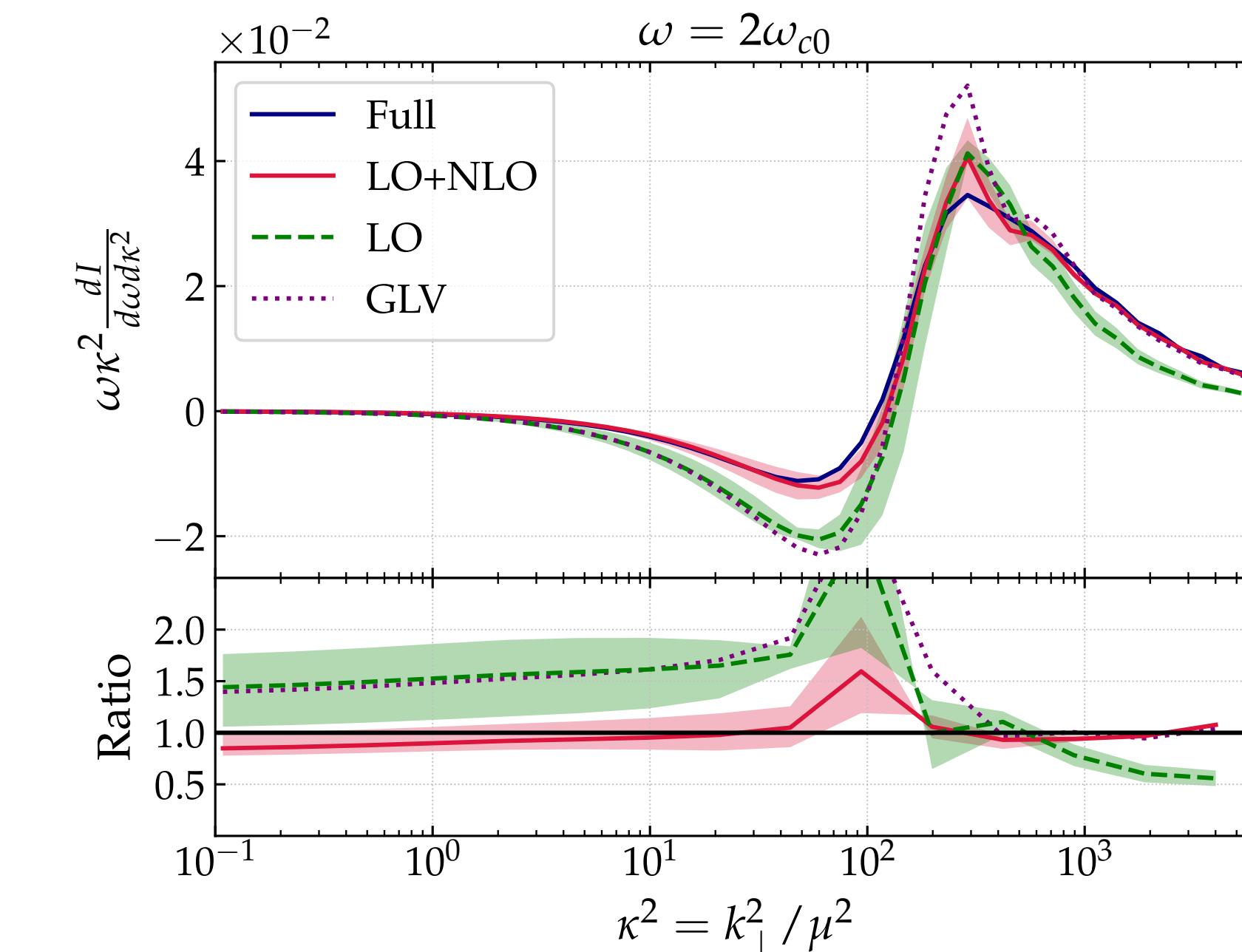
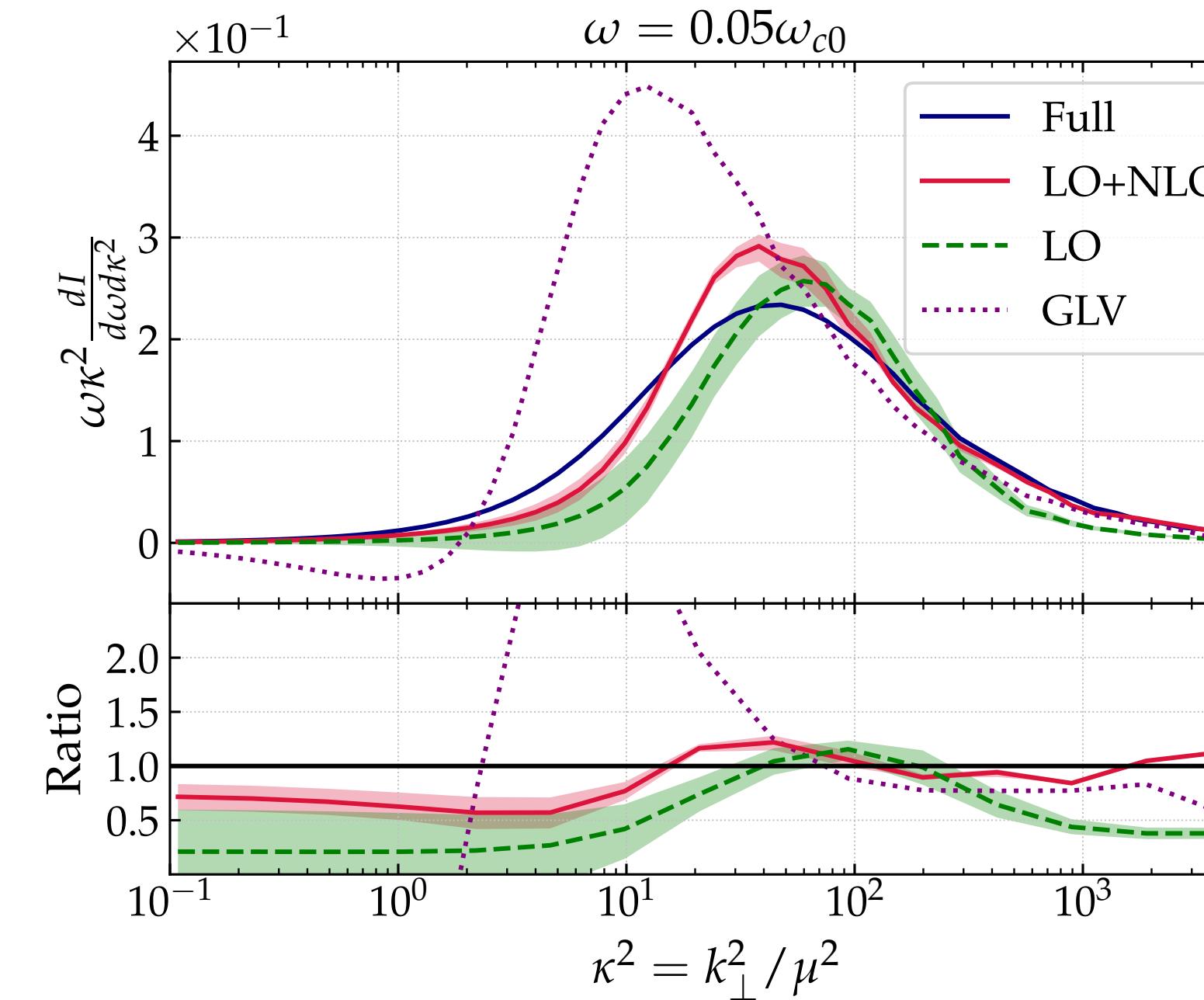
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$$(2\pi)^2 \omega \frac{dI}{d\omega d^2 k} = \frac{2\alpha_s C_R}{\omega^2} \text{Re} \int_0^\infty dt_2 \int_0^{t_2} dt_1 \int_{\mathbf{x}} e^{-i\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{x}; \infty, t_2) \partial_{\mathbf{x}} \cdot \partial_{\mathbf{y}} \mathcal{K}(\mathbf{x}, t_2; \mathbf{y}, t_1)_{\mathbf{y}=0} - (\text{vac.})$$

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Other numerical solutions:

Zakharov hep-ph/0410321; Caron-Huot, Gale 1006.2379; Feal, Vazquez 1811.01591; Ke, Xu and Bass 1810.08177; Feal, Salgado, Vazquez 1911.01309; Andres, Apolinario, Dominguez 2002.01517

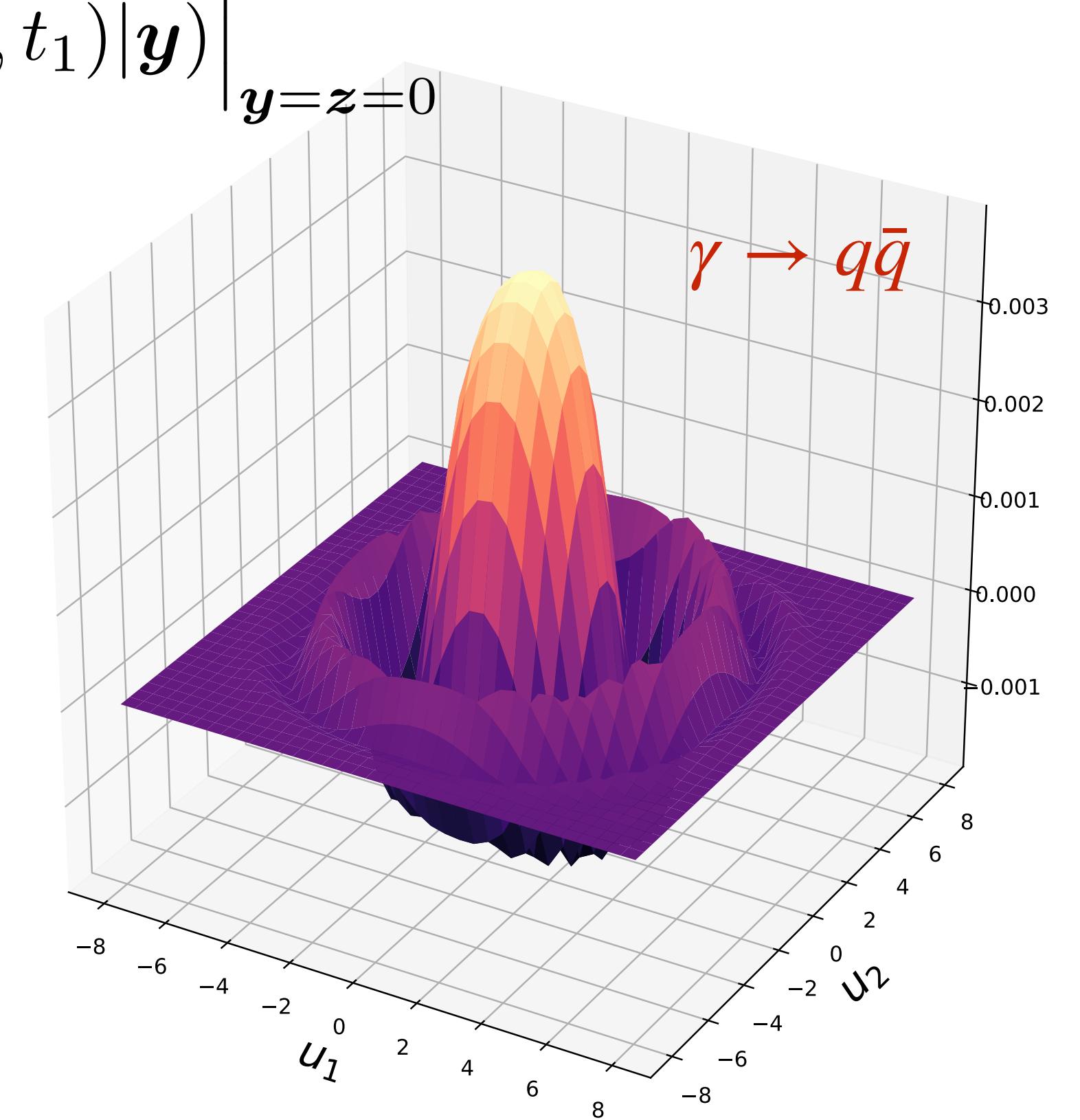


# IN-MEDIUM SPLITTING FUNCTION

Dominguez, Isaksen, KT (in preparation)

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dz d^2\mathbf{k}} = \frac{g^2 P(z)}{2(2\pi)^3[z(1-z)E]^2} \operatorname{Re} \int_0^\infty dt_1 \int_{t_1}^\infty dt_2 \int_{\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{u}, \bar{\mathbf{u}}} e^{-i(\mathbf{u}-\bar{\mathbf{u}})\cdot\mathbf{k}} \\ \times \partial_{\mathbf{y}} \cdot \partial_{\mathbf{z}} (\mathbf{u}; \bar{\mathbf{u}} | \tilde{S}^{(4)}(L, t_2) | \mathbf{x}; \mathbf{z}) (\mathbf{x} | \tilde{S}^{(3)}(t_2, t_1) | \mathbf{y}) \Big|_{\mathbf{y}=\mathbf{z}=0}$$

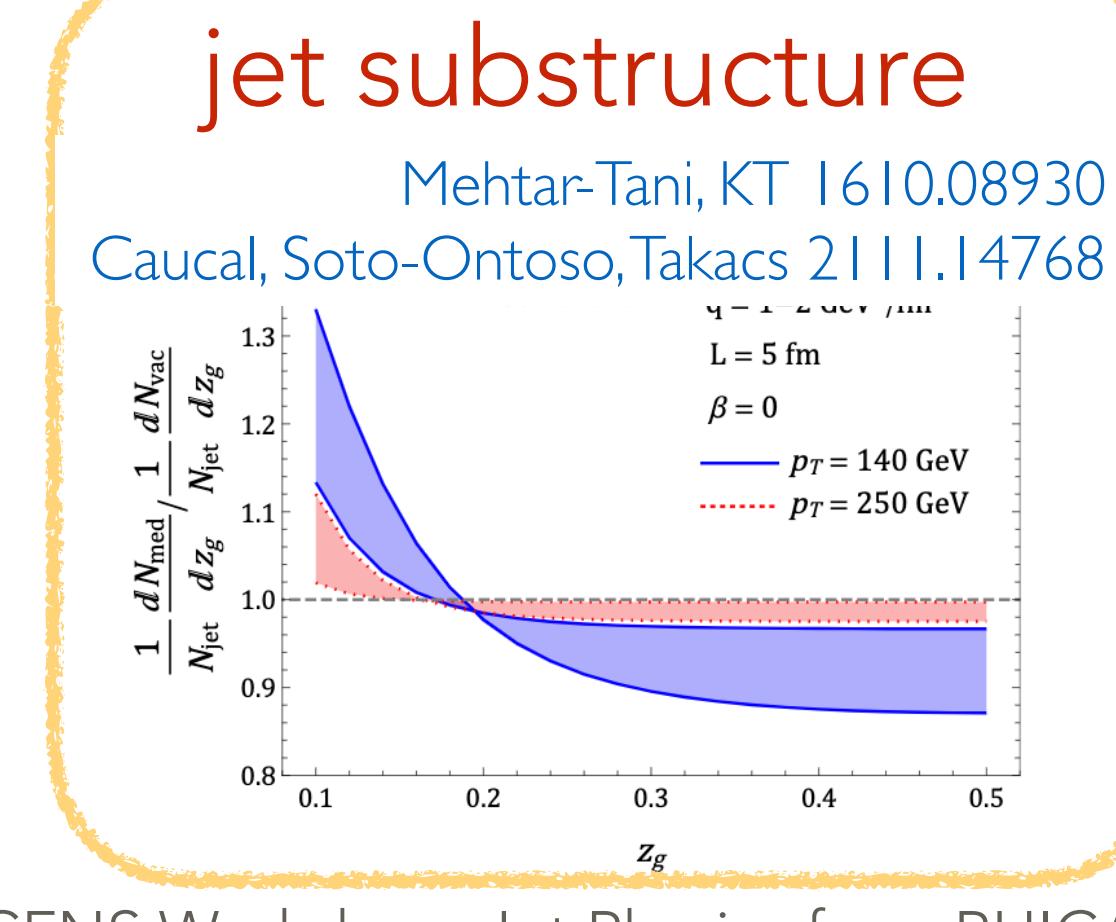
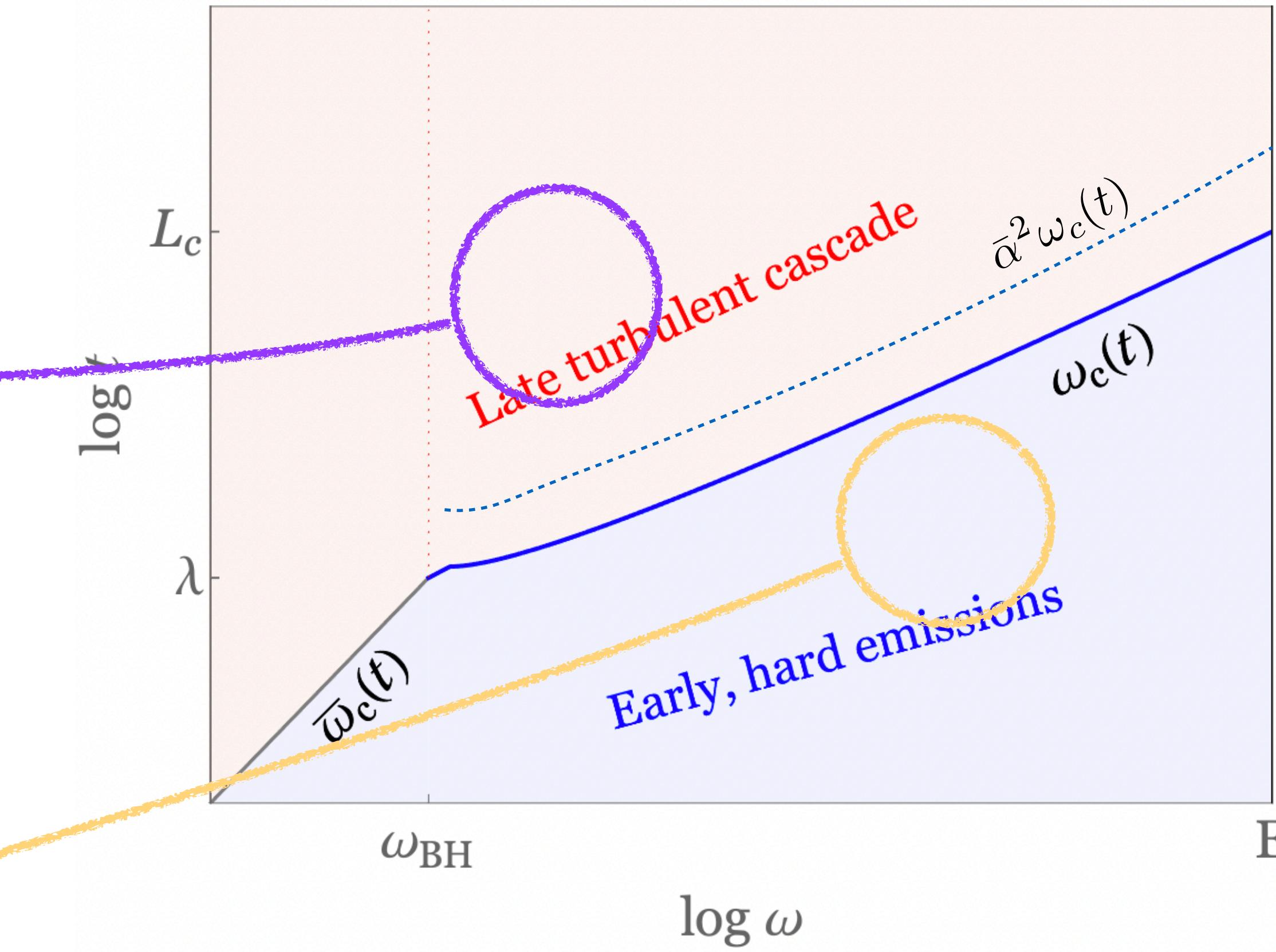
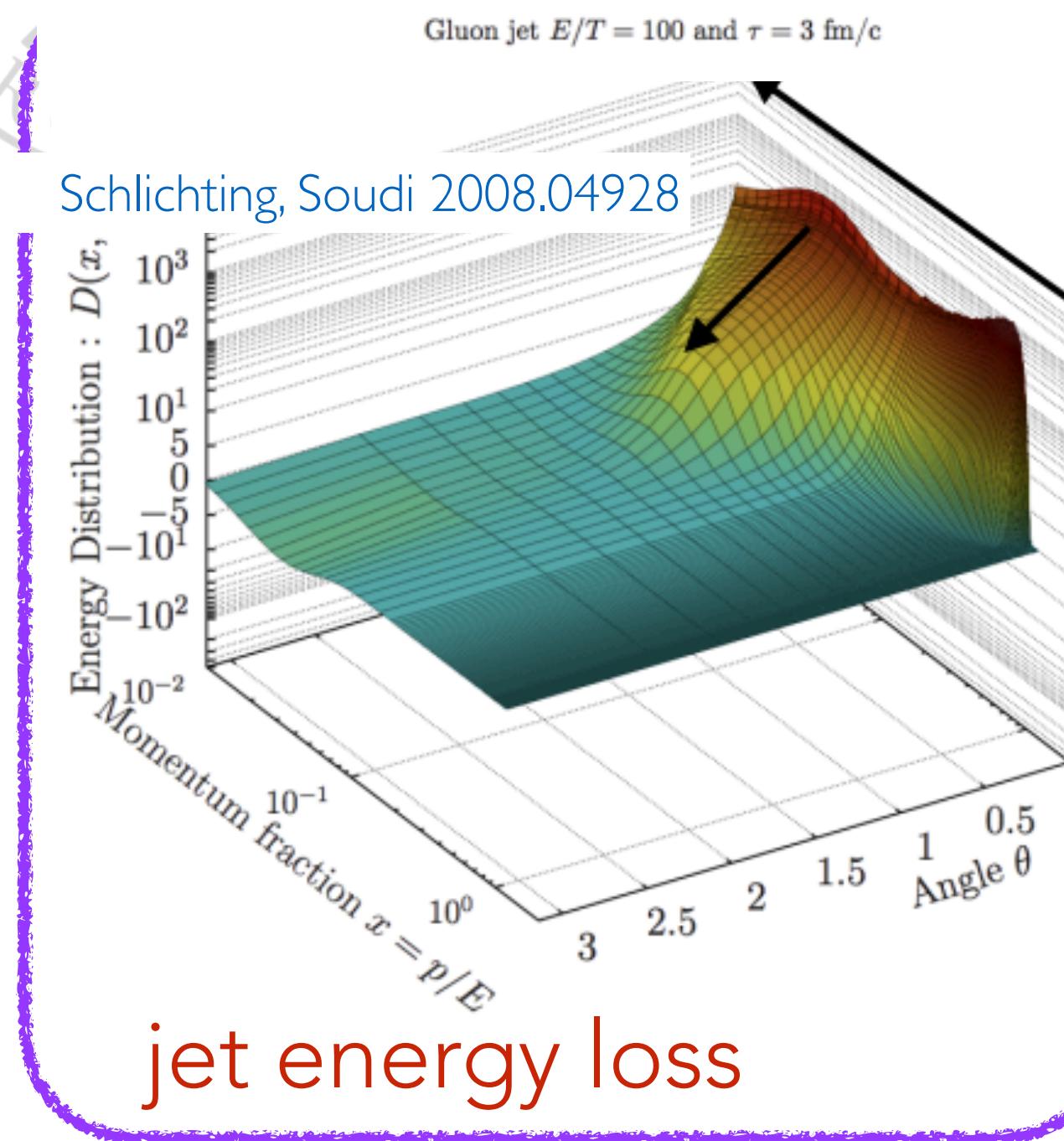
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- toward full precision calculation of splitting dynamics for all splitting processes





# EMERGING SPACETIME PICTURE

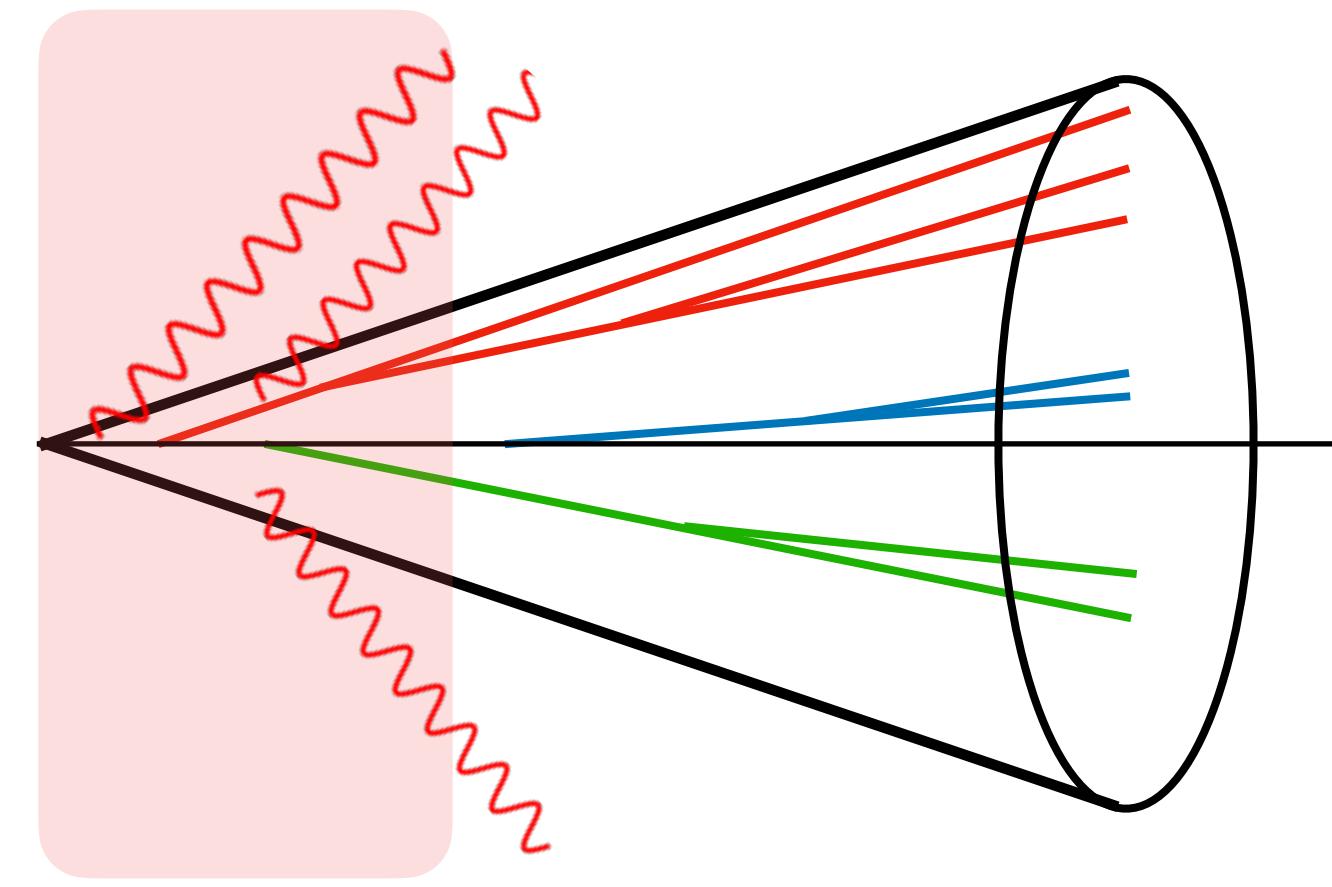
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- Effective theory for consistent accounting of fixed-order vs. resummation from emergent scales.
- In progress: need addition  $\vartheta$  axis to merge with vacuum...

# **Jet energy loss & modifications**

**Role of vacuum-like and  
medium-induced emissions**





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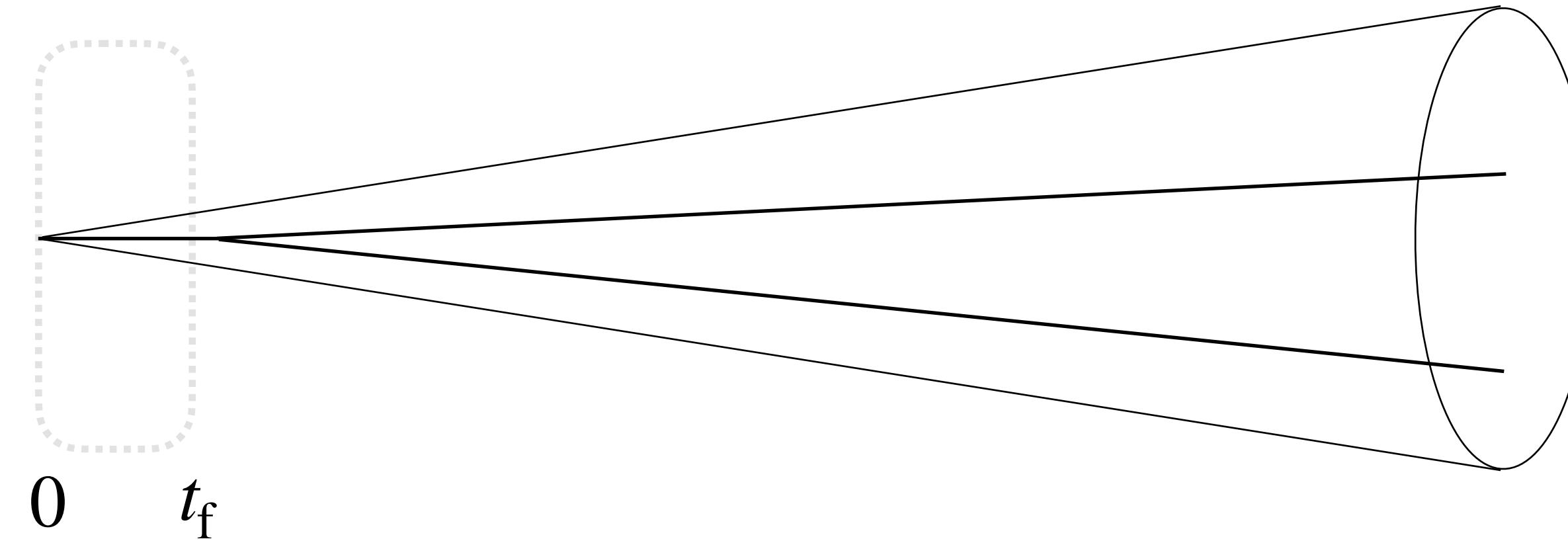
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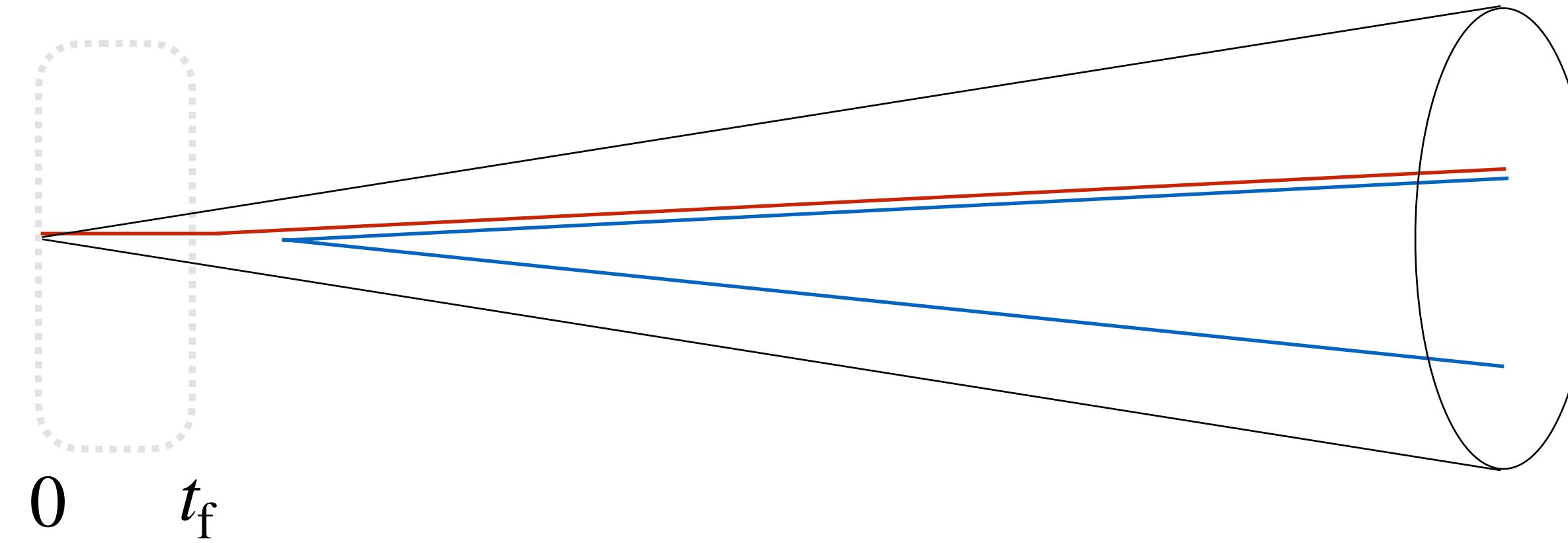
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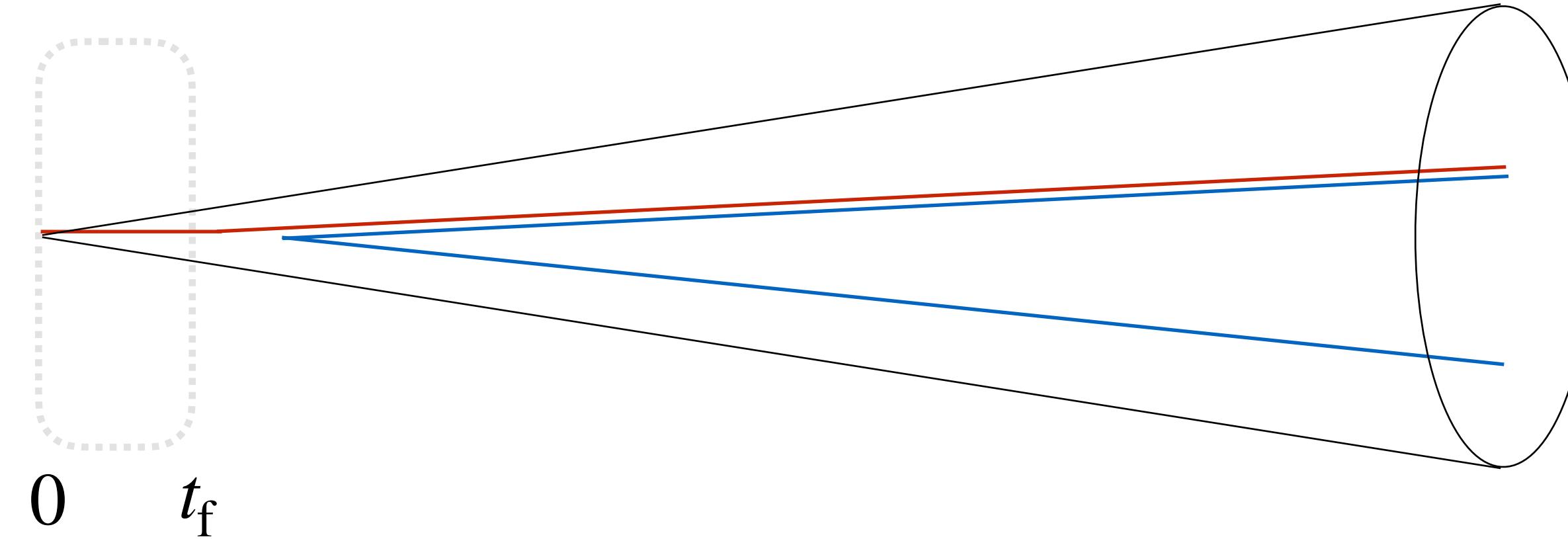
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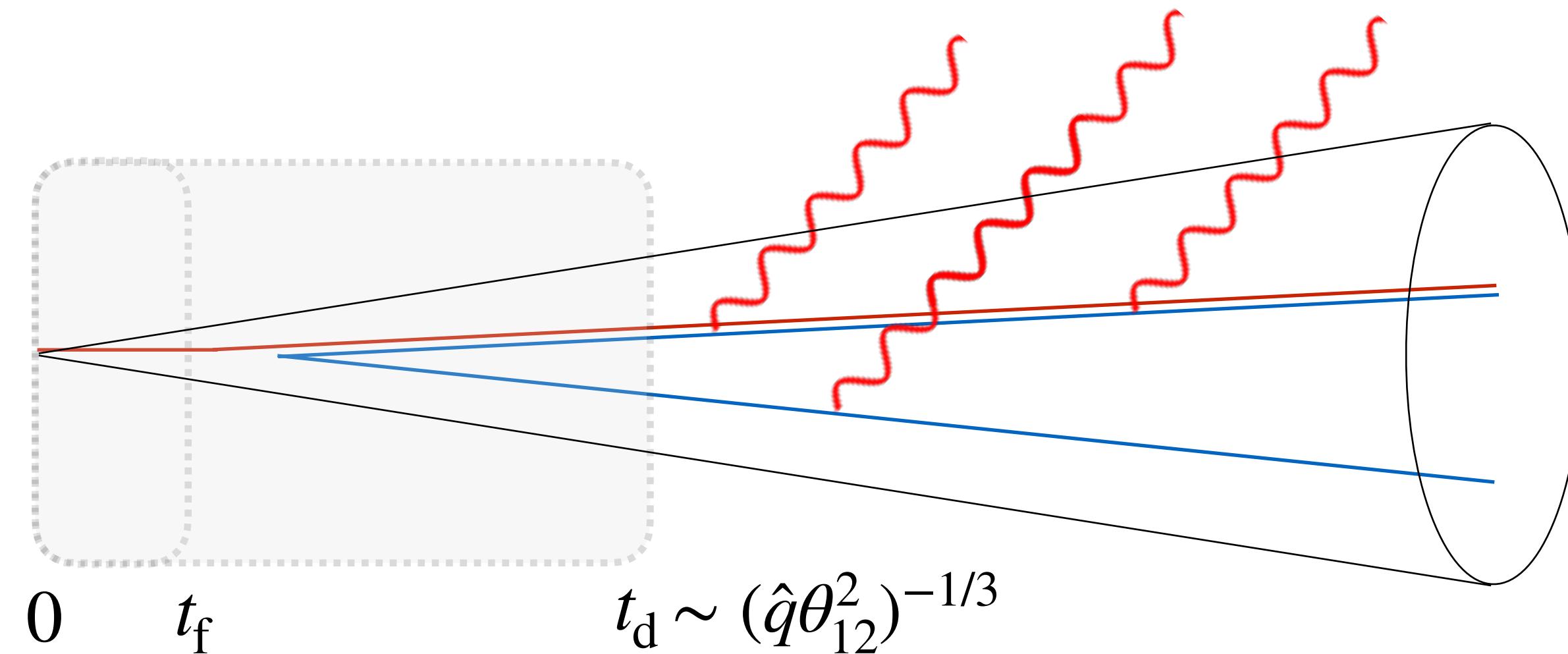
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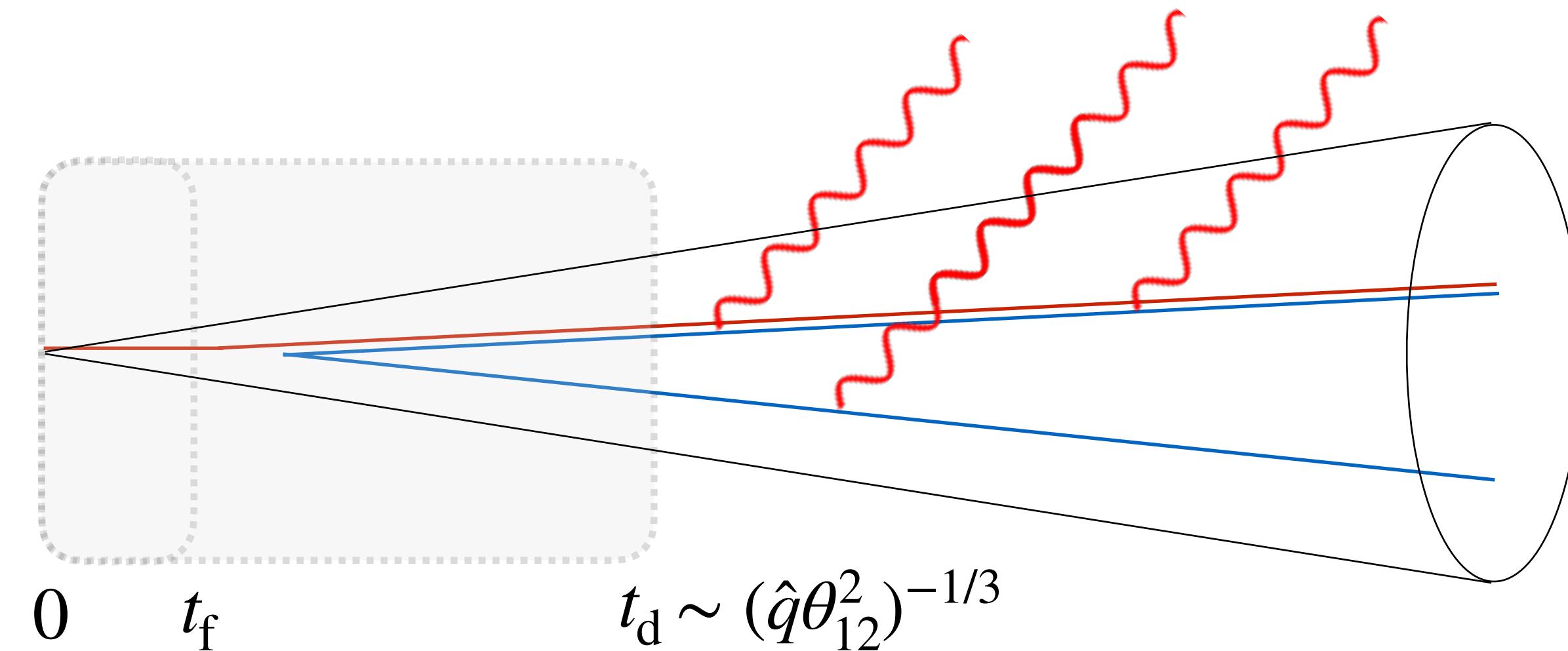
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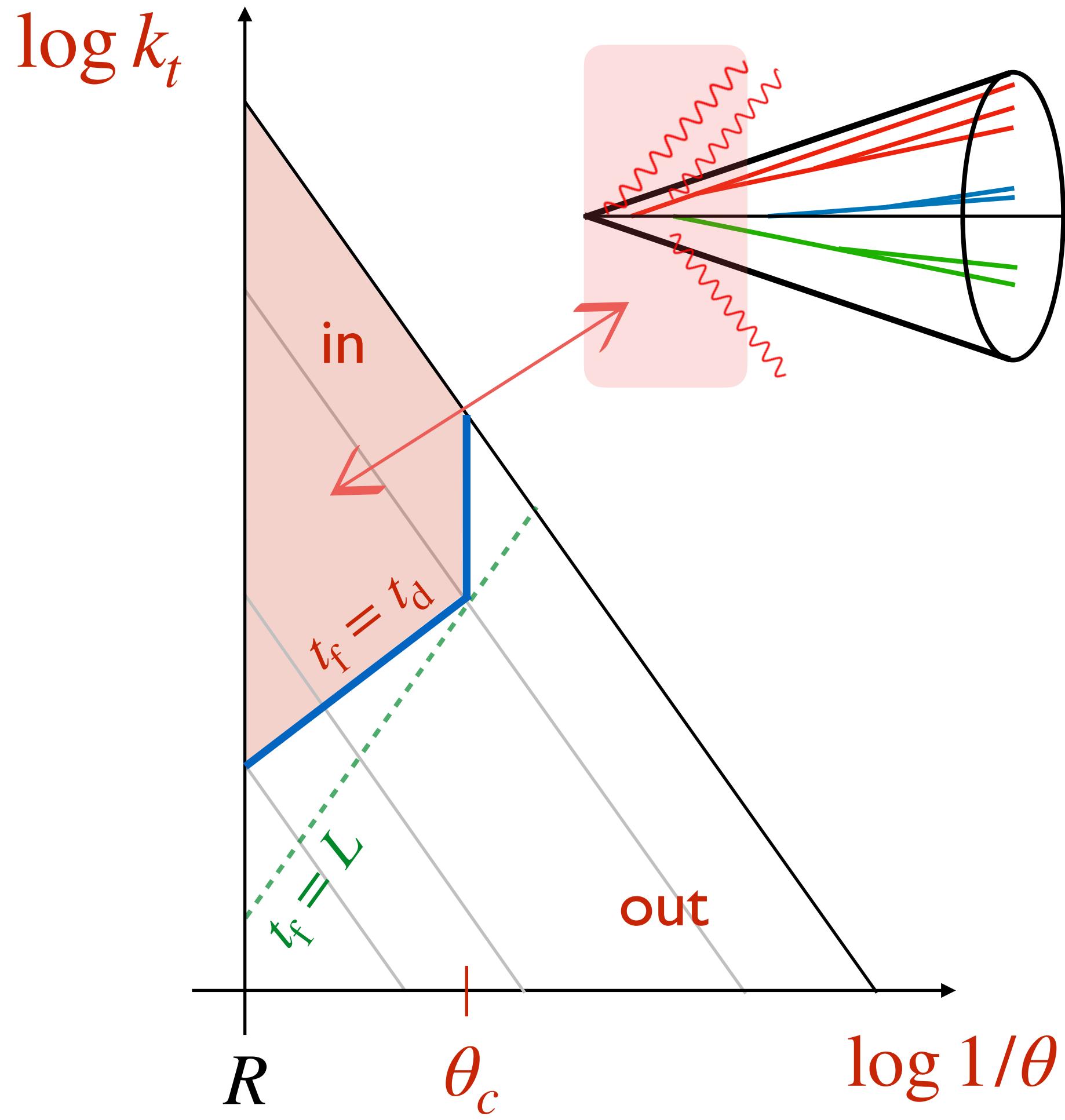
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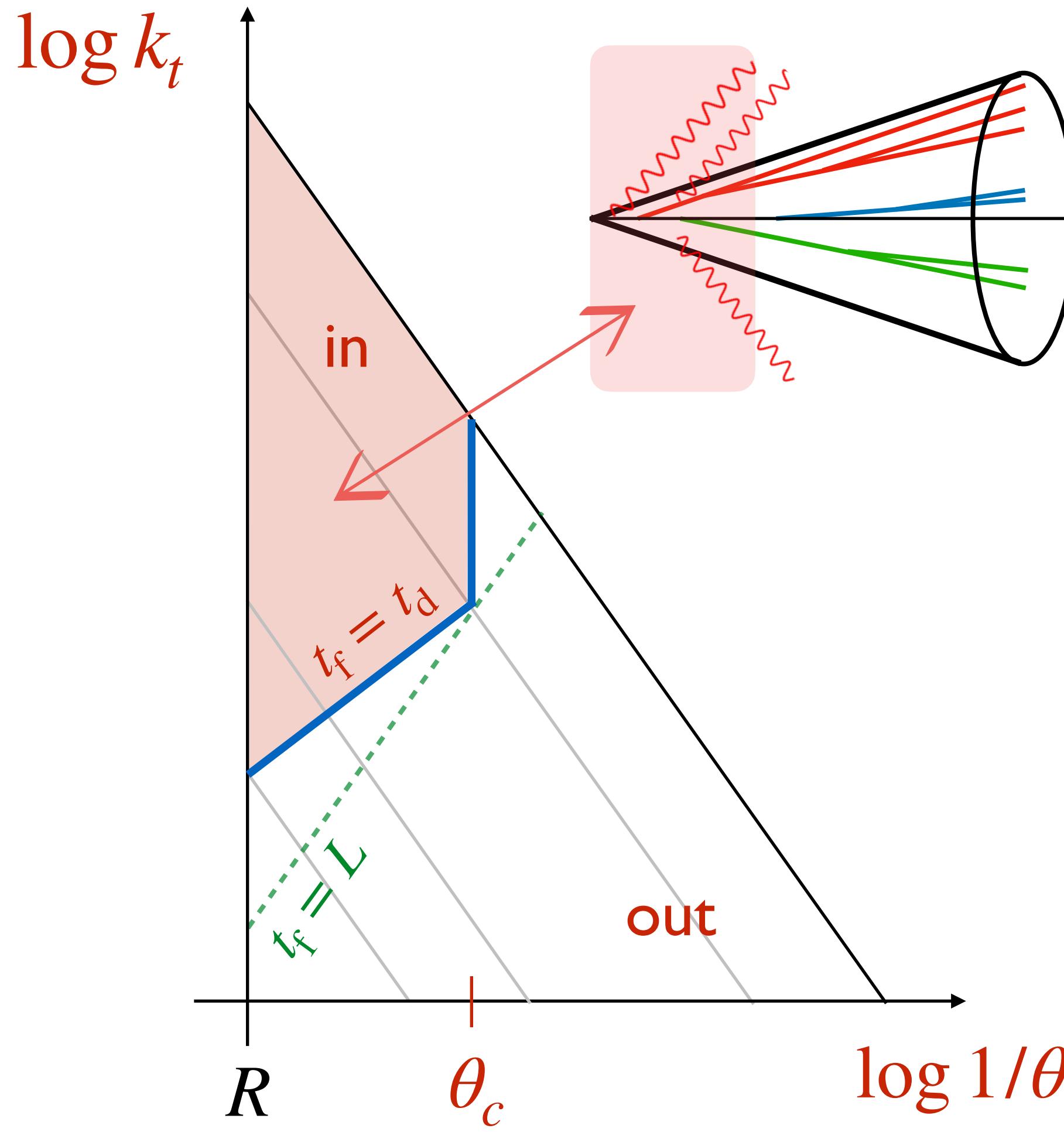


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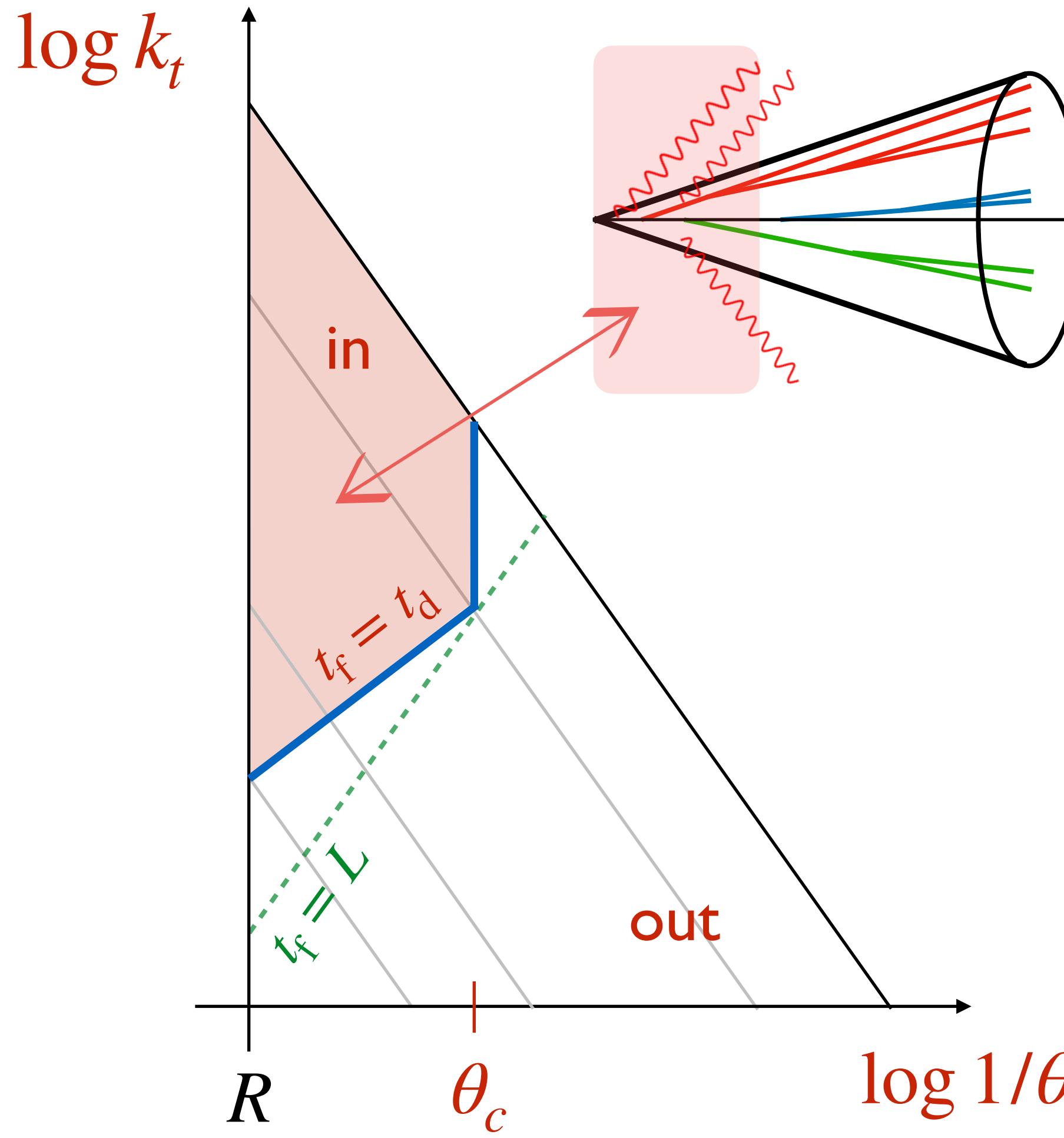
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**Interpretation:** vacuum-like emissions created on short distances inside the medium act as sources of medium-induced radiation & cascade.

Monte Carlo implementations: Caucal, Iancu, Mueller, Soyez 1801.09703  
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# QUENCHING HARD PARTONIC SPECTRUM

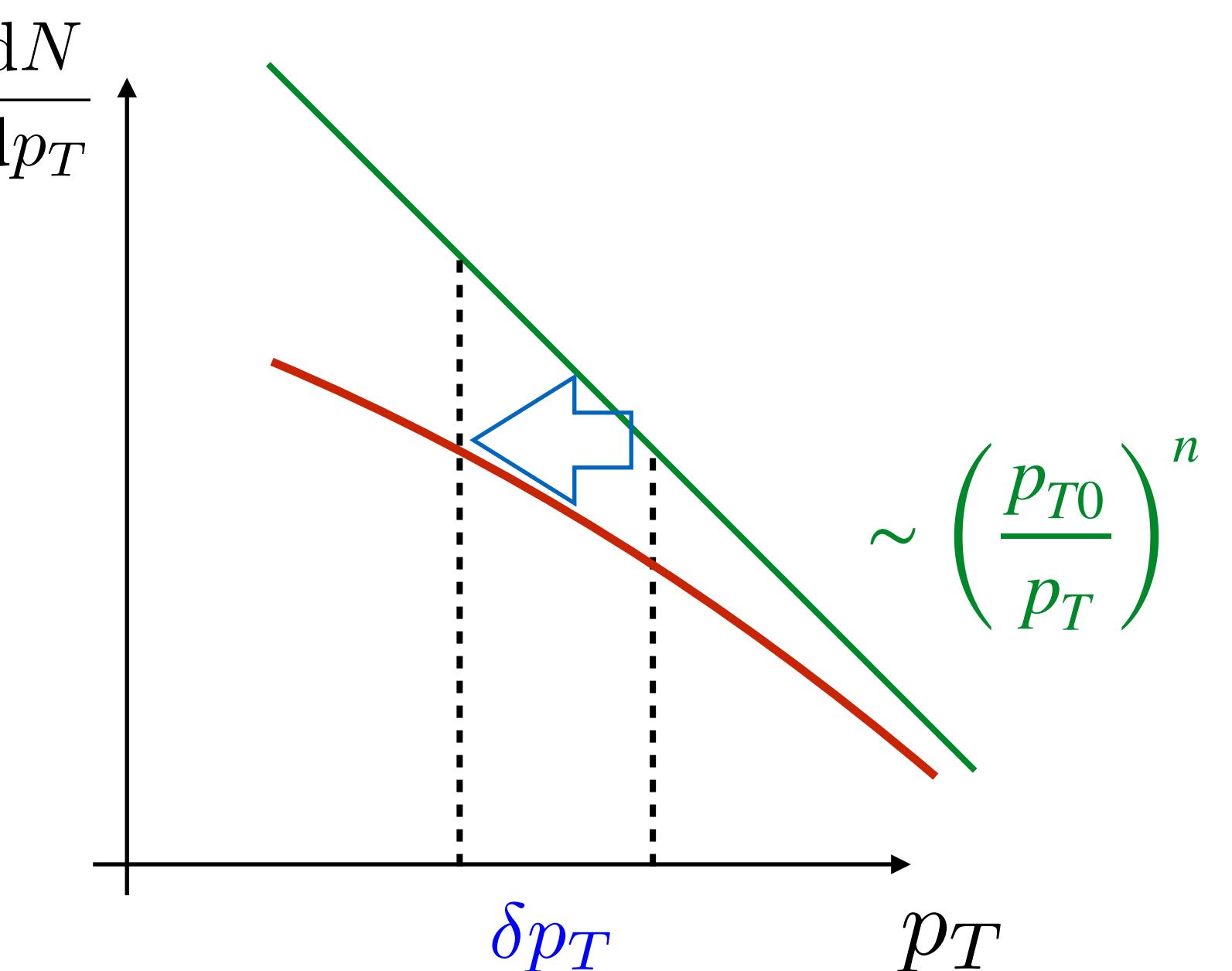
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- applies for small energy losses & steeply falling spectra
- probability distribution  $\mathcal{P}(\epsilon)$  resums contribution from multiple emissions



# DIAGRAMMATIC APPROACH

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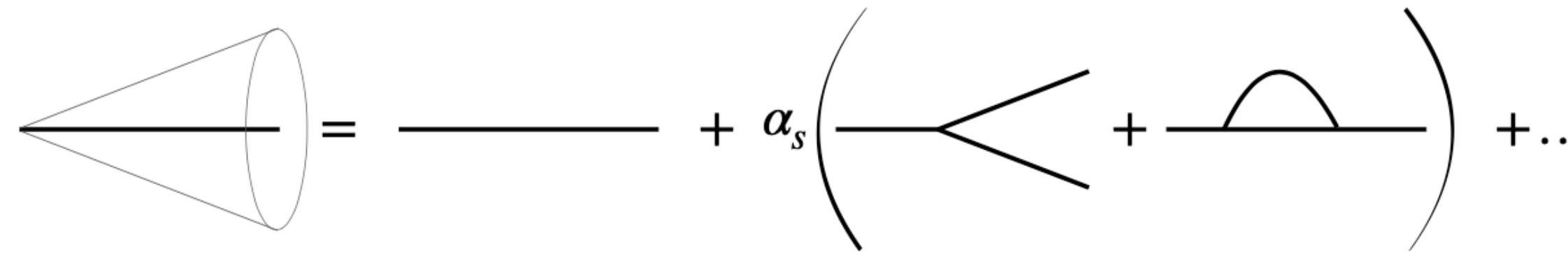
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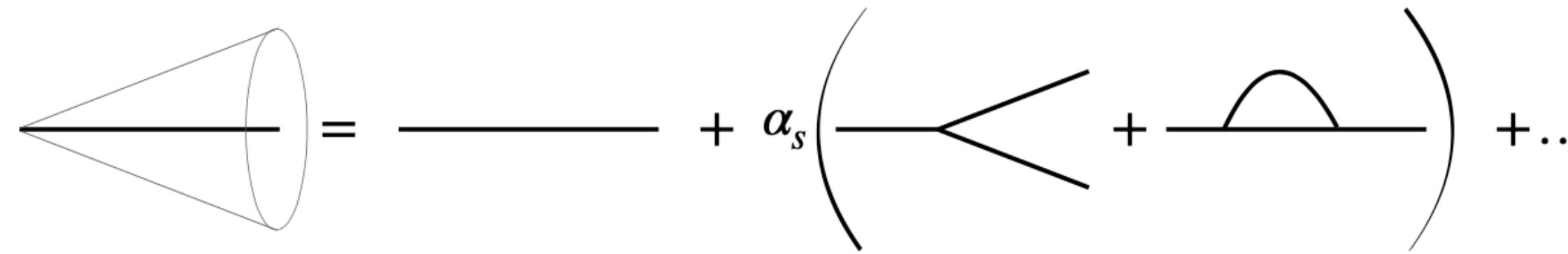
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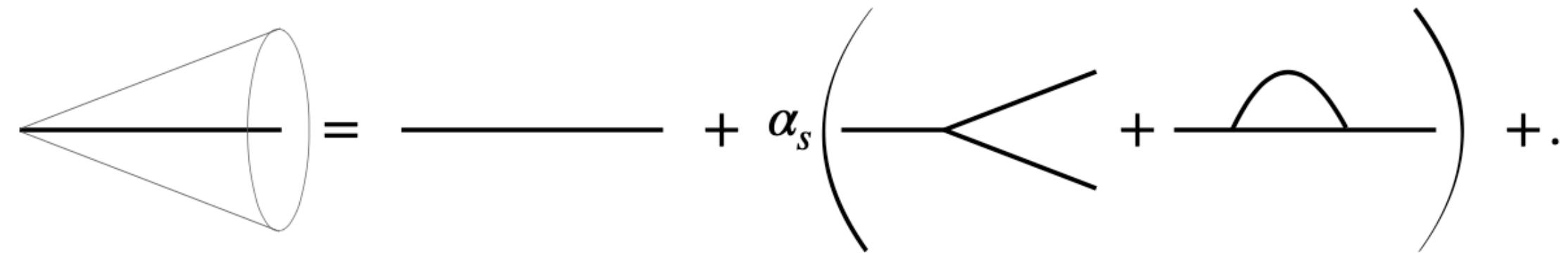
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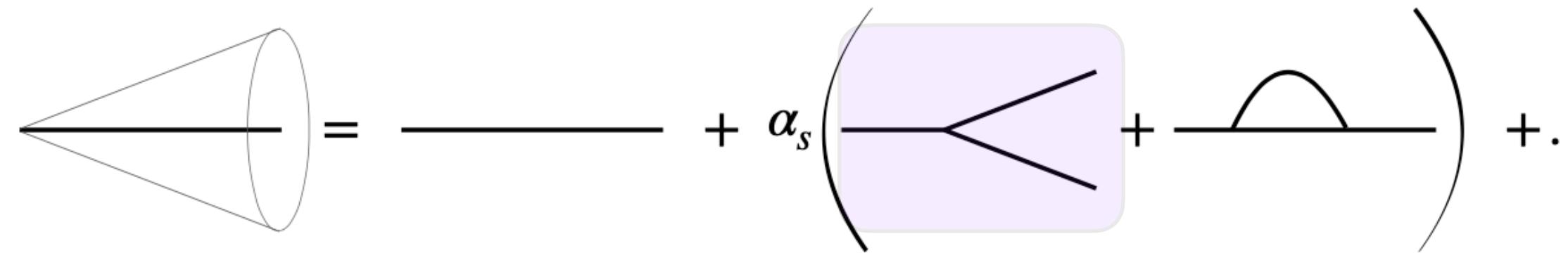
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# virtual correction (quenching x1)



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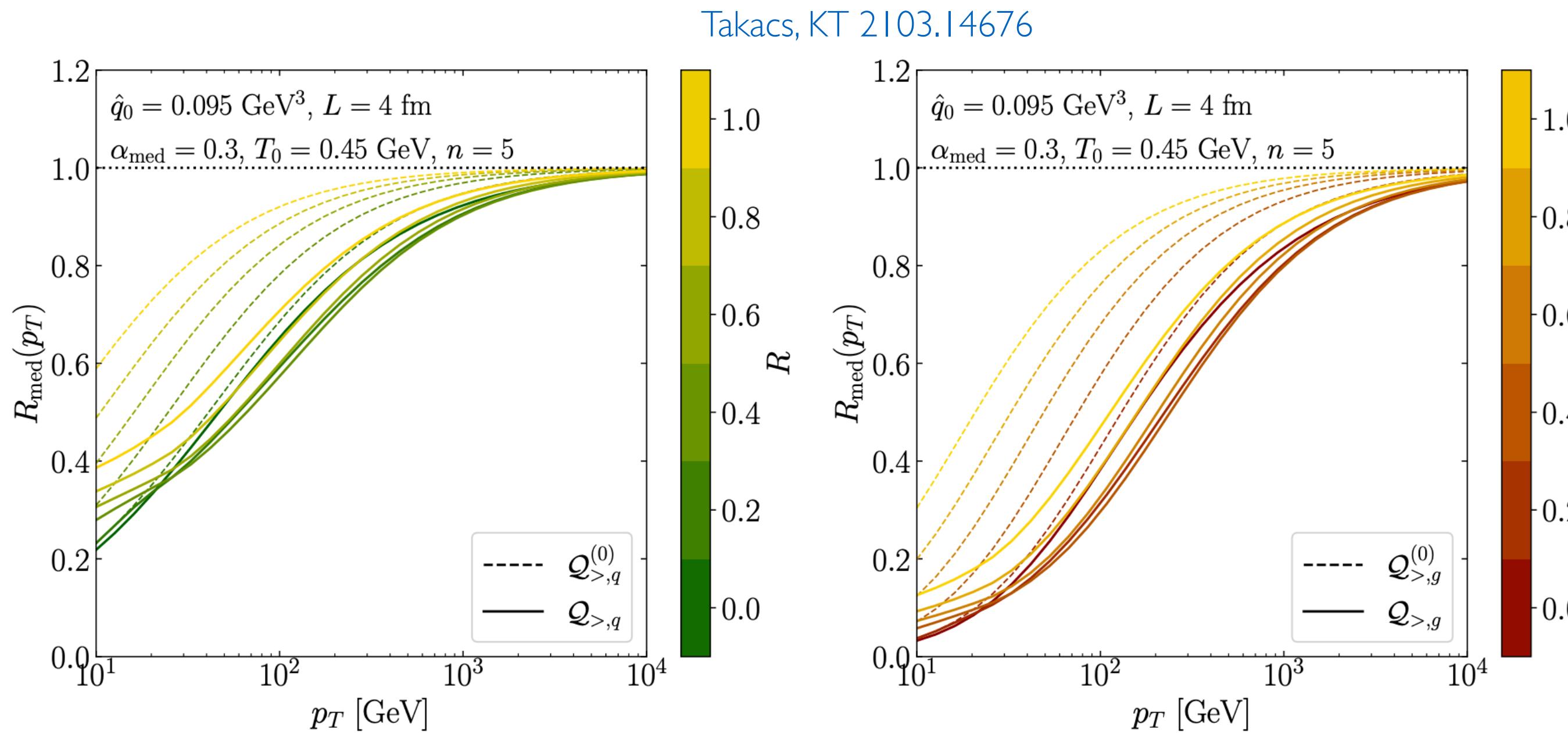
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Milder R-dependence than for single-parton quenching.

Competition of two effects:

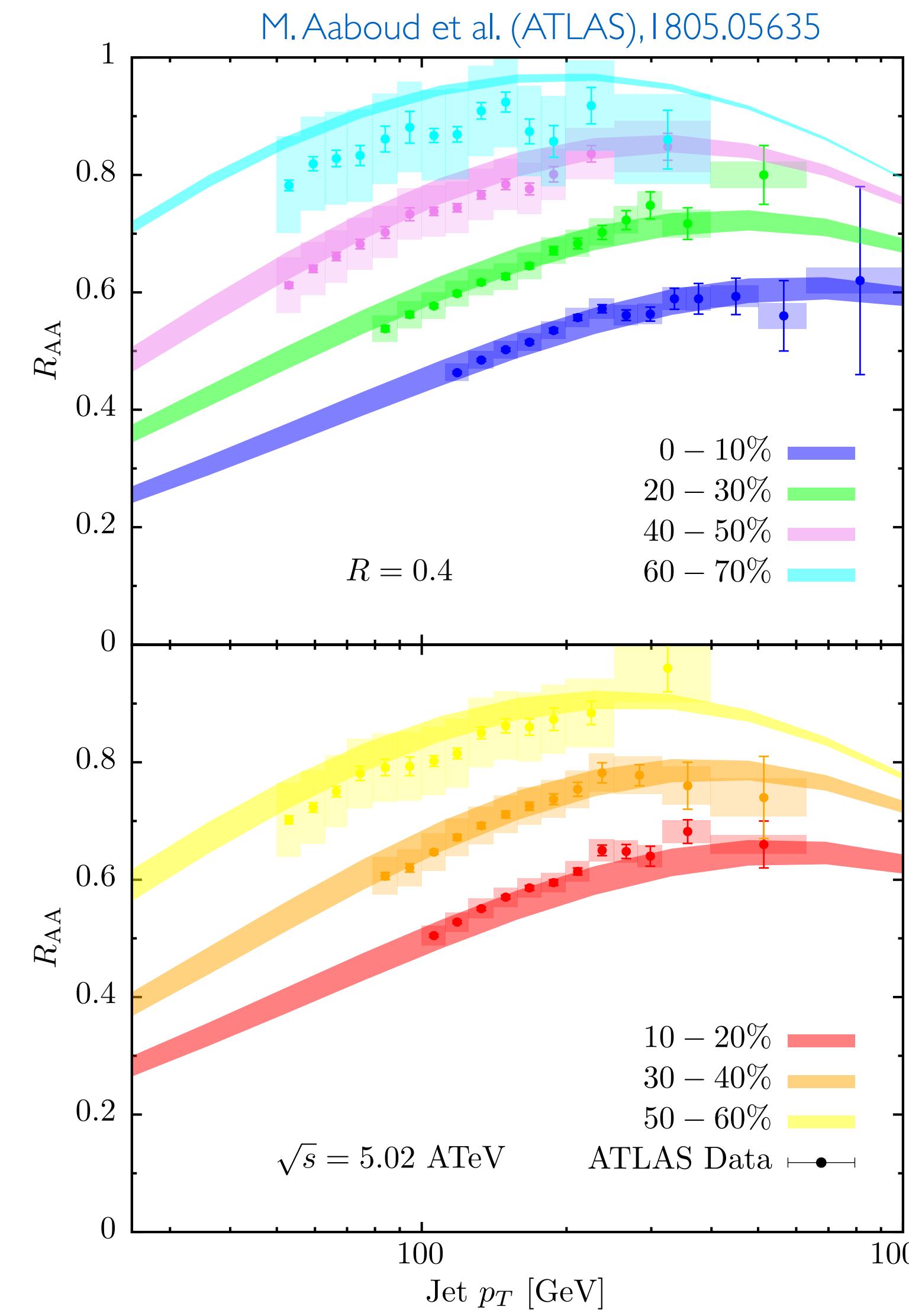
- recovery of radiated energy at large  $R$
- more color sources from vacuum-like emissions at large  $R$

[see also Blok, KT 1901.07864 for heavy quark jets]



# NUMERICAL RESULTS

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Takacs, KT 2103.14676

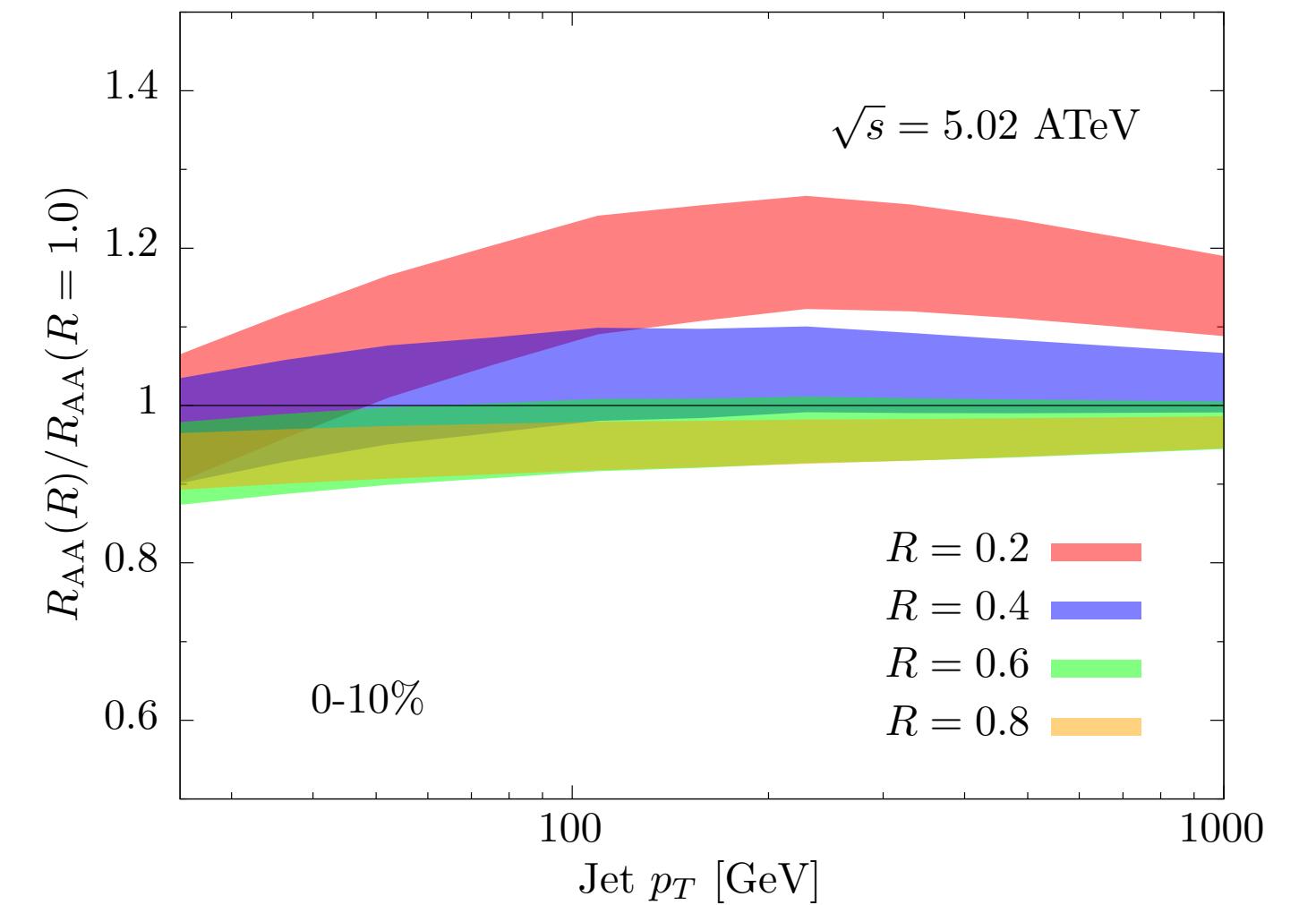


- collinear factorization w/nPDF (EPS09)
- DGLAP evolution to  $R = 0.4$
- full resummation of radiative and elastic processes in the medium
- sampling of geometry and medium evolution (VISHNU) Shen, Qiu, Song, Bernhard, Bass, Heinz I409.8164
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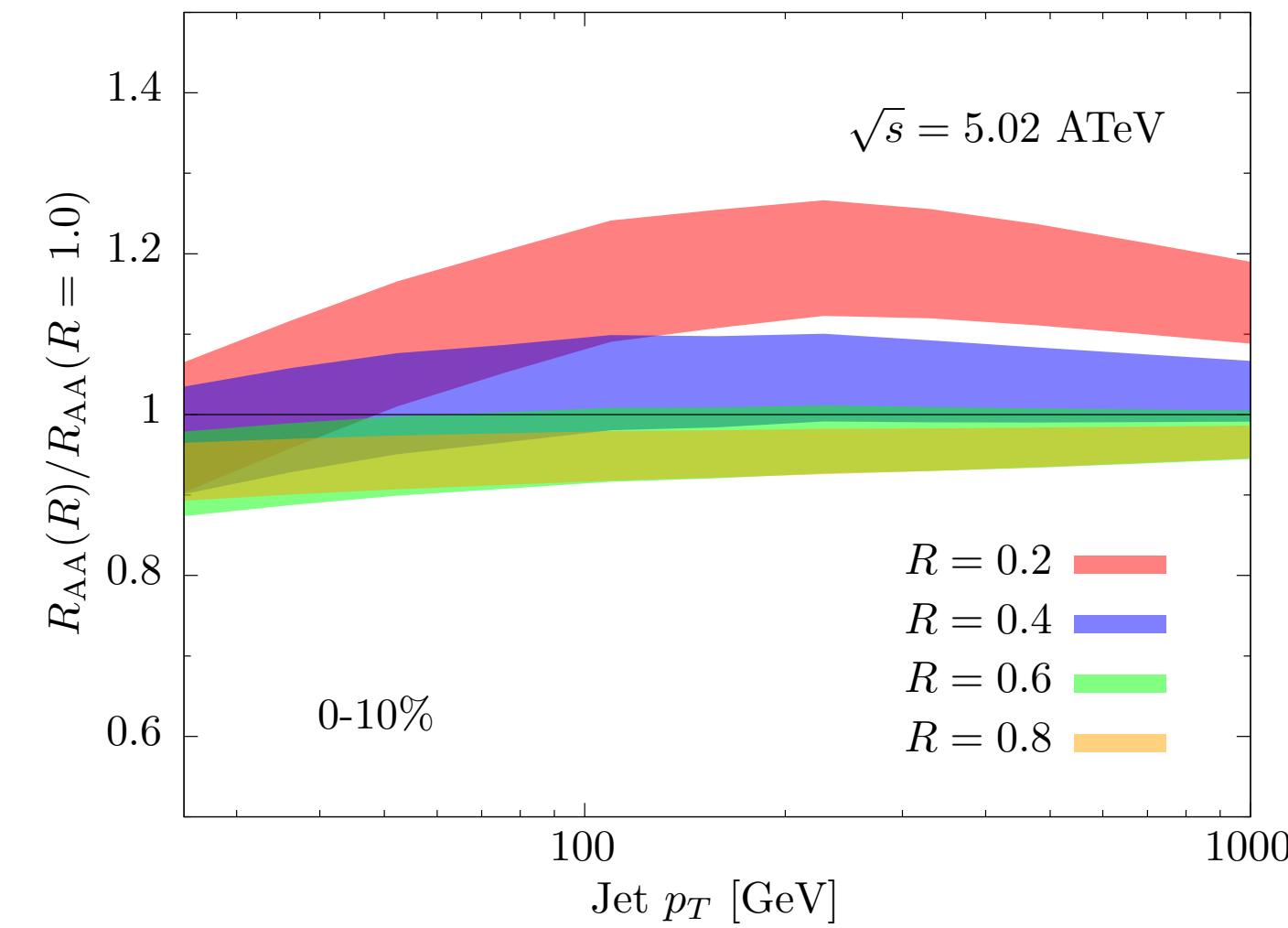
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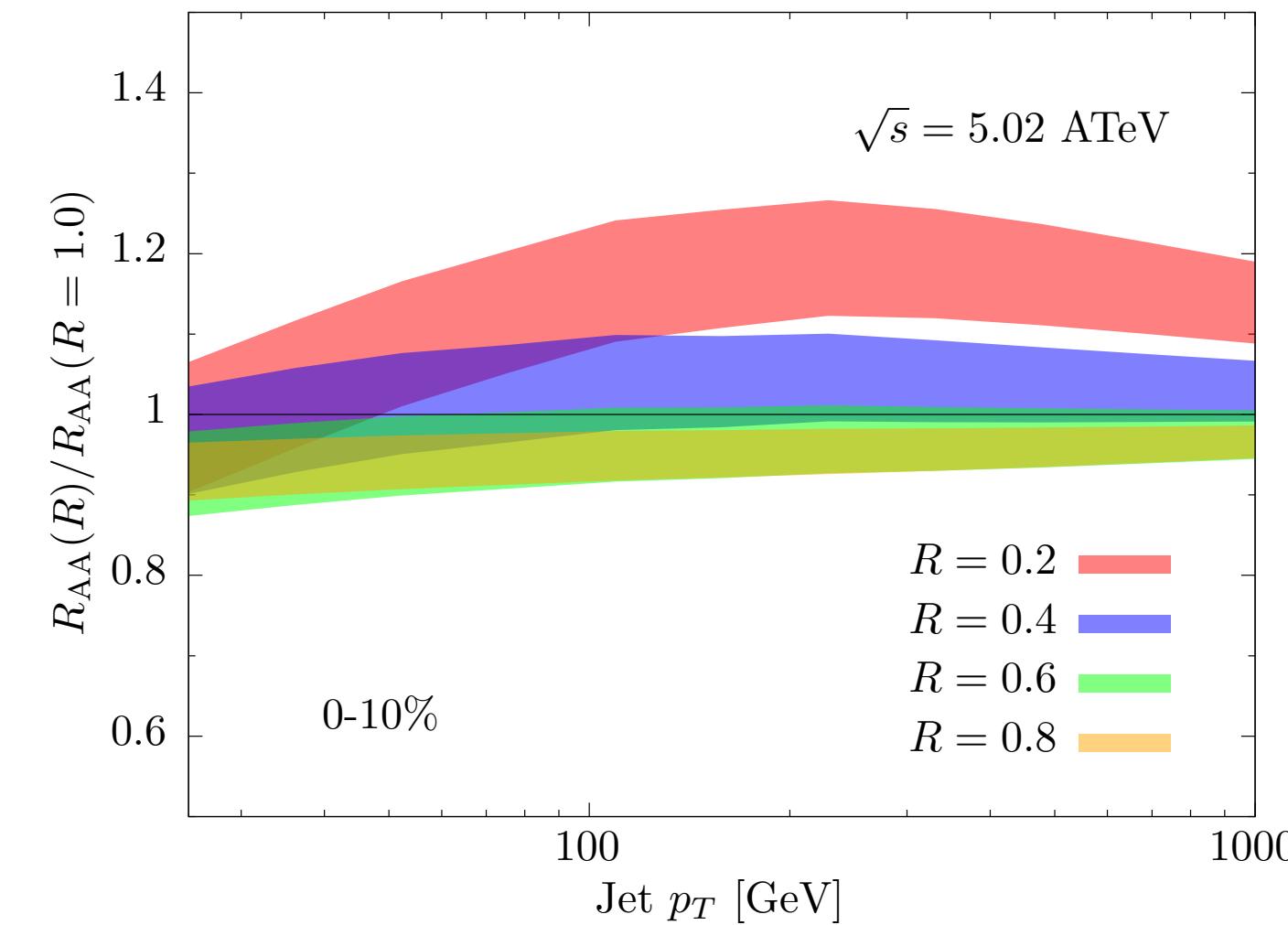


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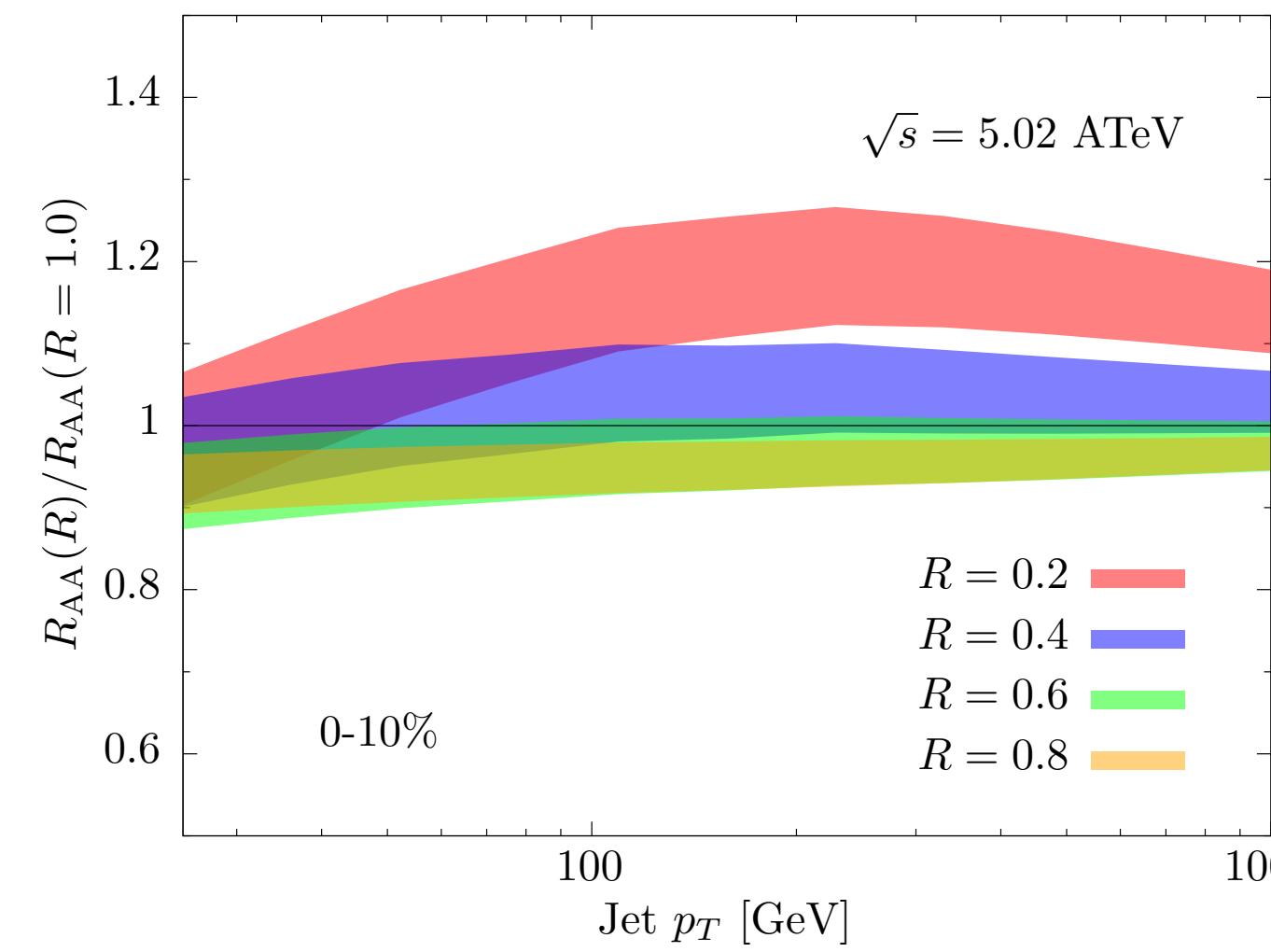


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  - perturbative sector (vacuum-like emissions + medium-induced  $\omega > \omega_s$ ) dominates!
  - higher-twist contributions at IOE-NLO are negligible
  - details of thermalization/recovery ( $R_{\text{rec}}$ ) important at  $R \gtrsim 0.6$

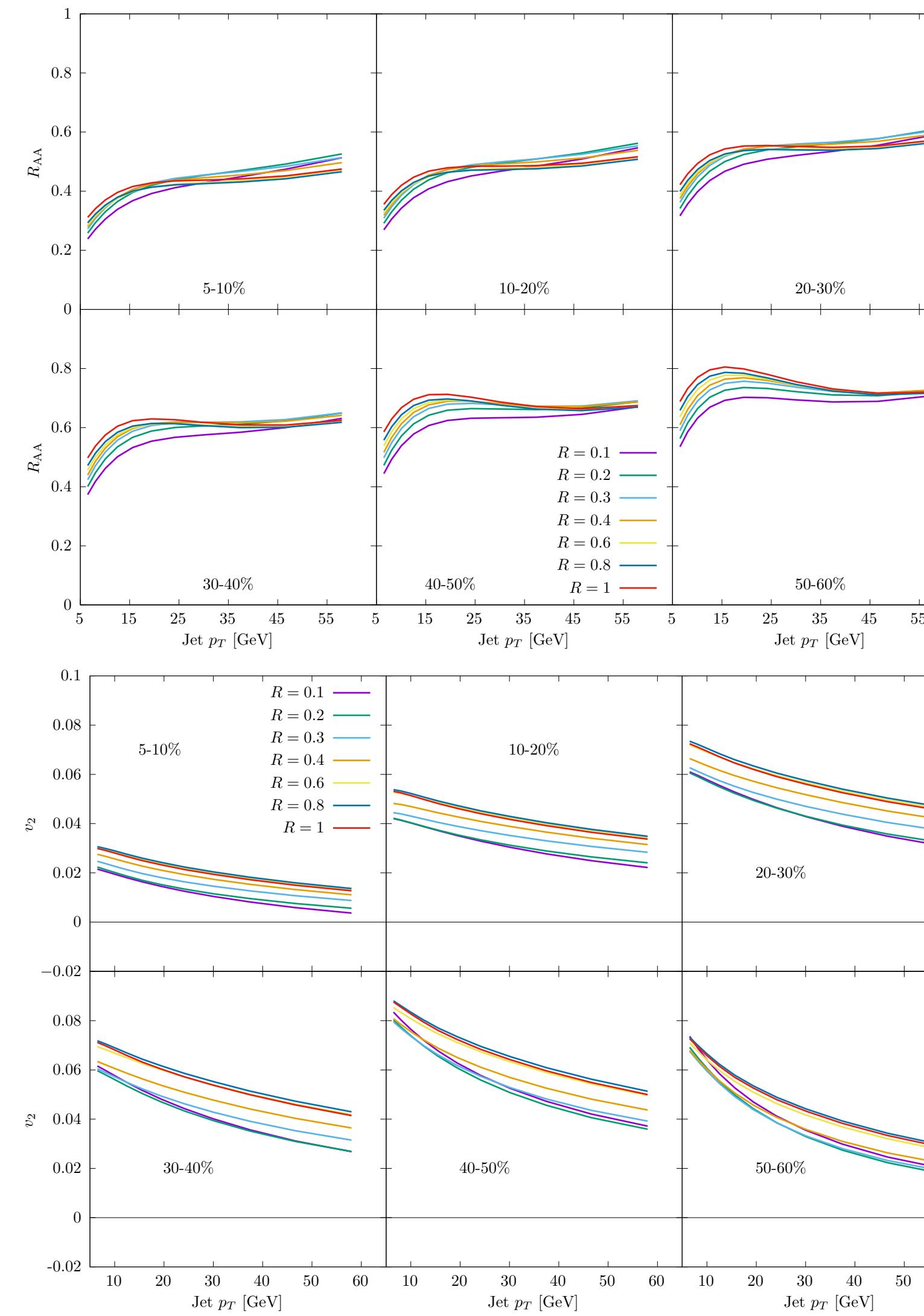
Parameter	Variation	Effect
$\theta_c$	$[\theta_c/2, 2\theta_c]$	$\lesssim 20\%$
IOE	LO/NLO	$\sim 2\%$
$n$	$\pm 1$	$\sim 10\%$
$R_{\text{rec}}$	$[1, \infty]$	$\lesssim 10\%$
$\omega_s$	$[\omega_s/2, 2\omega_s]$	$\lesssim 8\%$



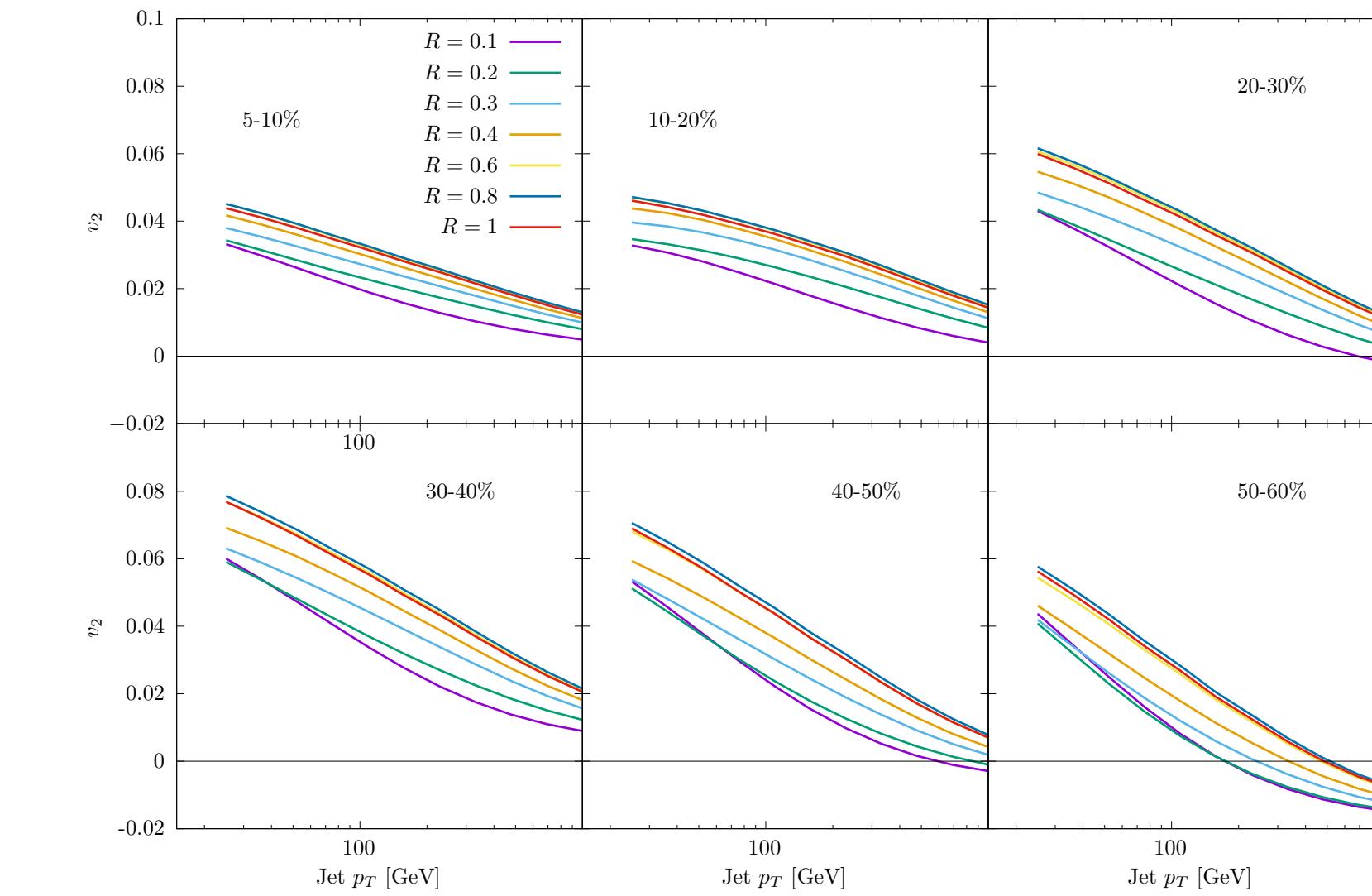
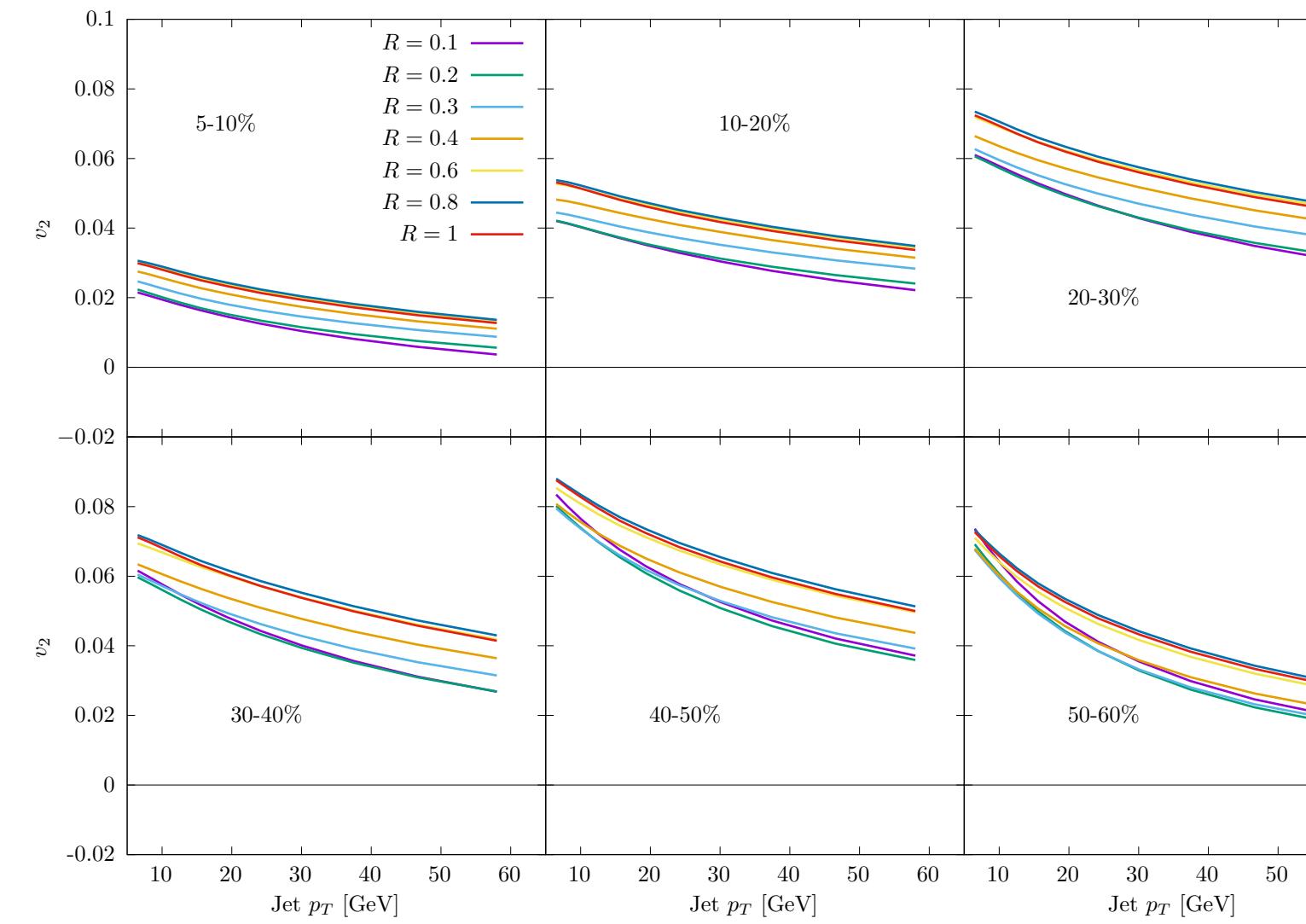
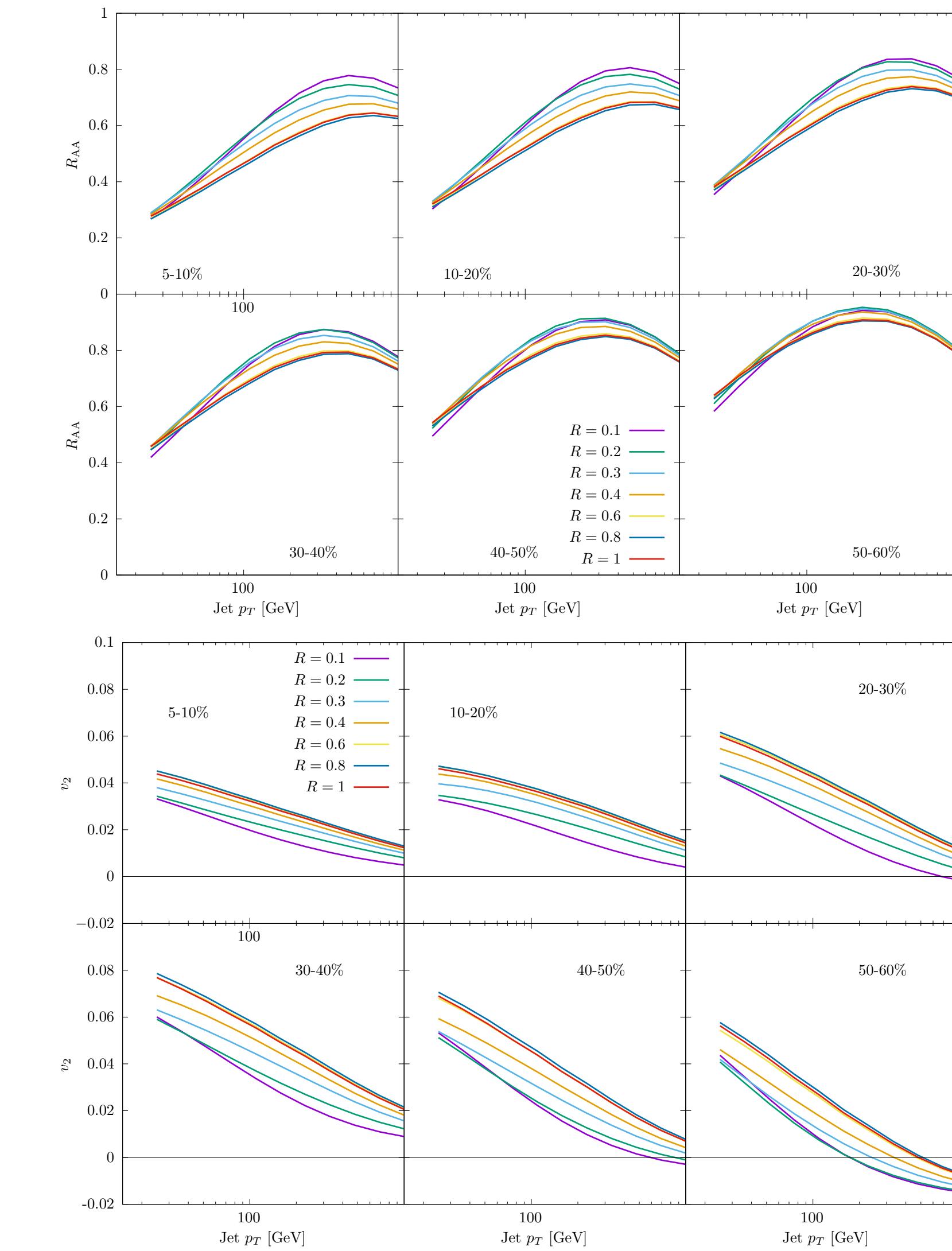
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RHIC



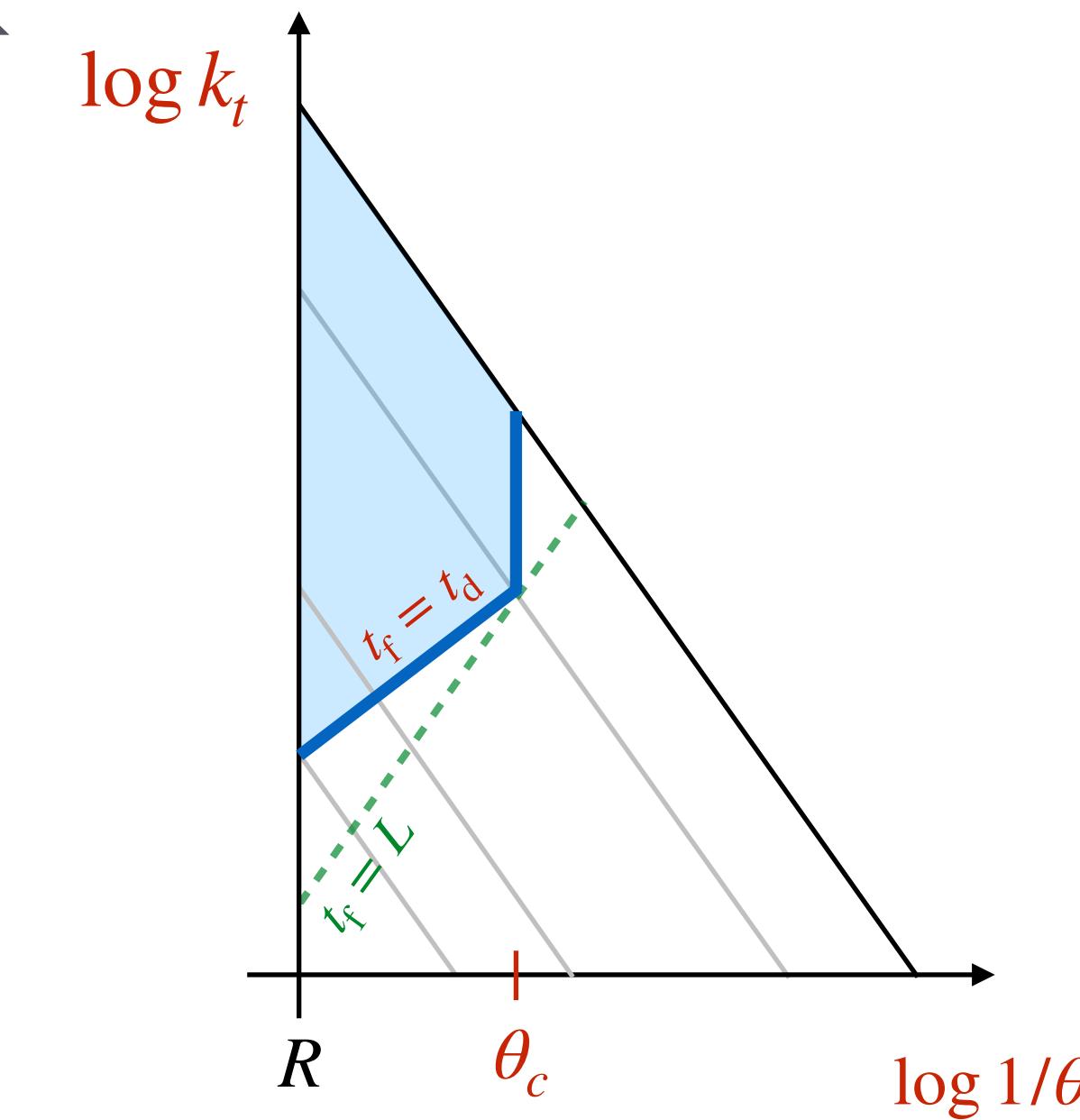
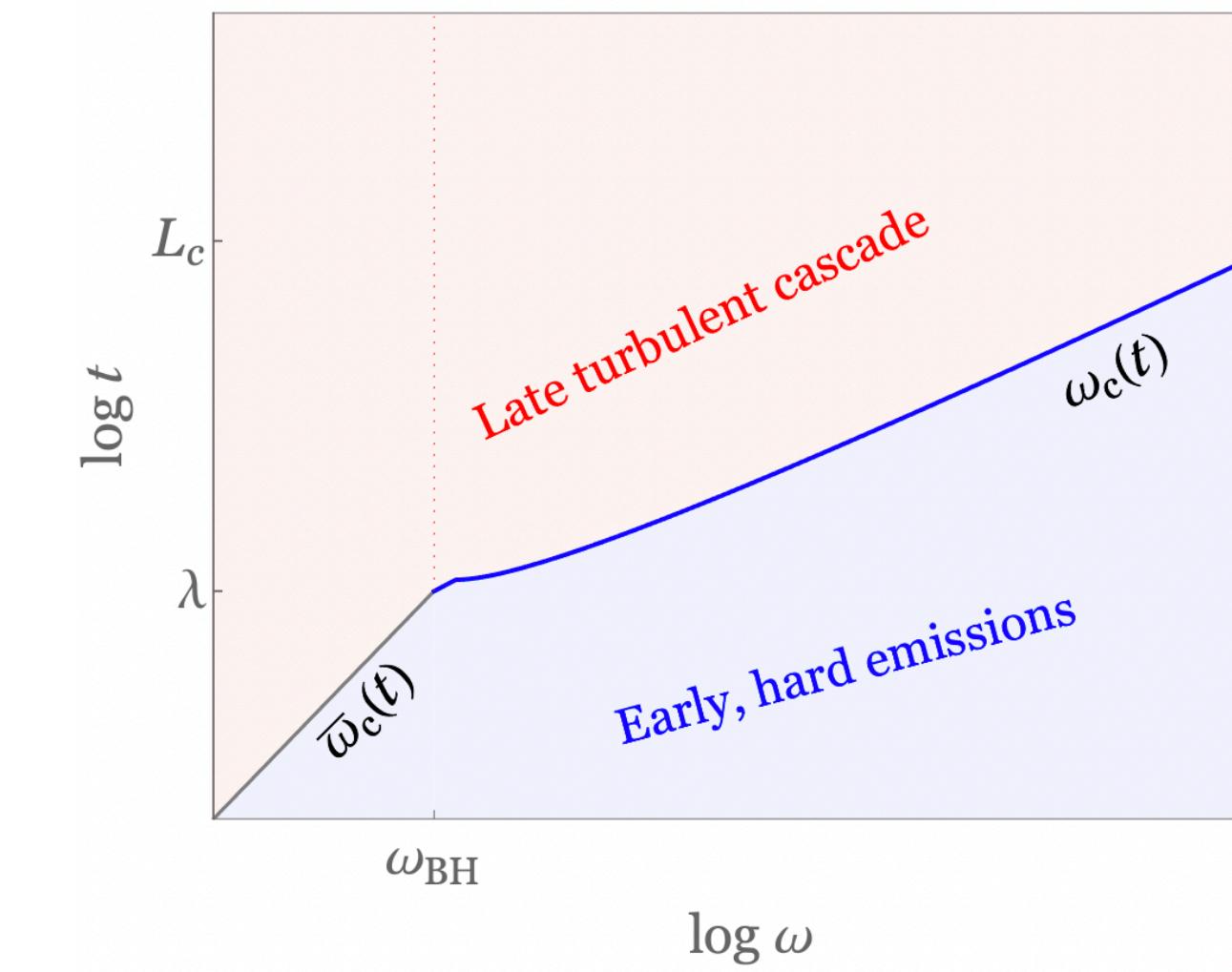
LHC



Prominent role of  $\theta_c$ : grouping in  $R$ -dependence!



# SUMMARY & OUTLOOK



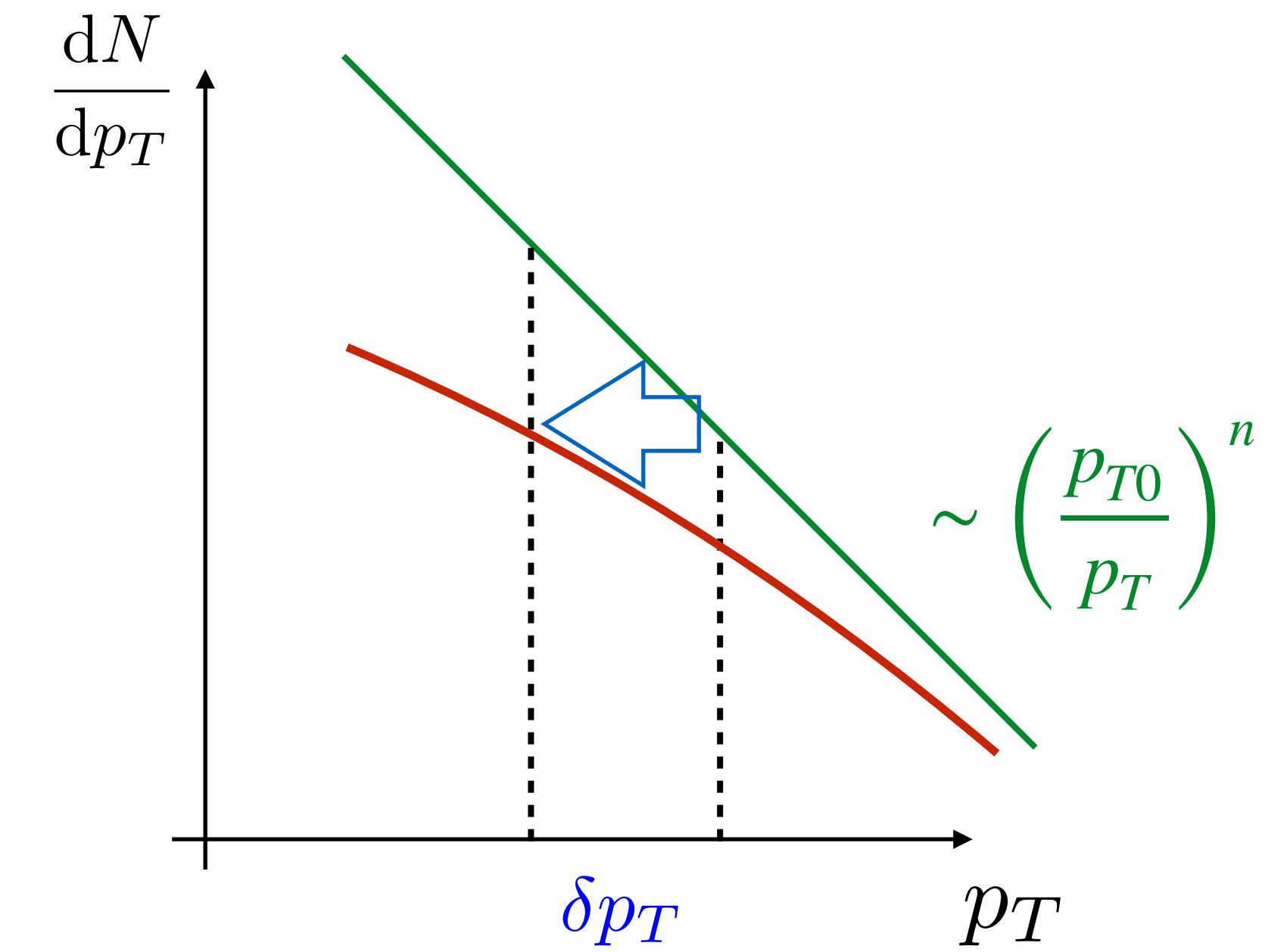
- Theory improvements provide a solid basis for higher-order precision calculations of hard probes - **central to achieve predictive power!**
  - analytical control of full medium-induced phase space!
- First steps to merge **emergent spacetime picture** of vacuum and medium processes.
- Many further avenues to explore (jet substructure, low- $p_T$ , small systems,...)
  - $\hat{q}$  is a measure of both the amount of energy lost & the resolution properties of the medium (color coherence)

# BACKUP



# FURTHER IMPLICATIONS OF QUENCHING

- **Bias effect:** shift of spectrum affects many observables that are computed at a given final/ measured
  - in heavy-ion we compare jets from a higher bin that have migrated down with jets in pp at that bin.
  - jets at high- have different characteristics due to DGLAP evolution!
  - depends on  $n(p_T)$
- **Color charge effect:** quark jets (i.e. jets originating from quarks) are less quenched than gluon jets.
  - observables in heavy-ions will have a different quark/gluon mix than in pp!

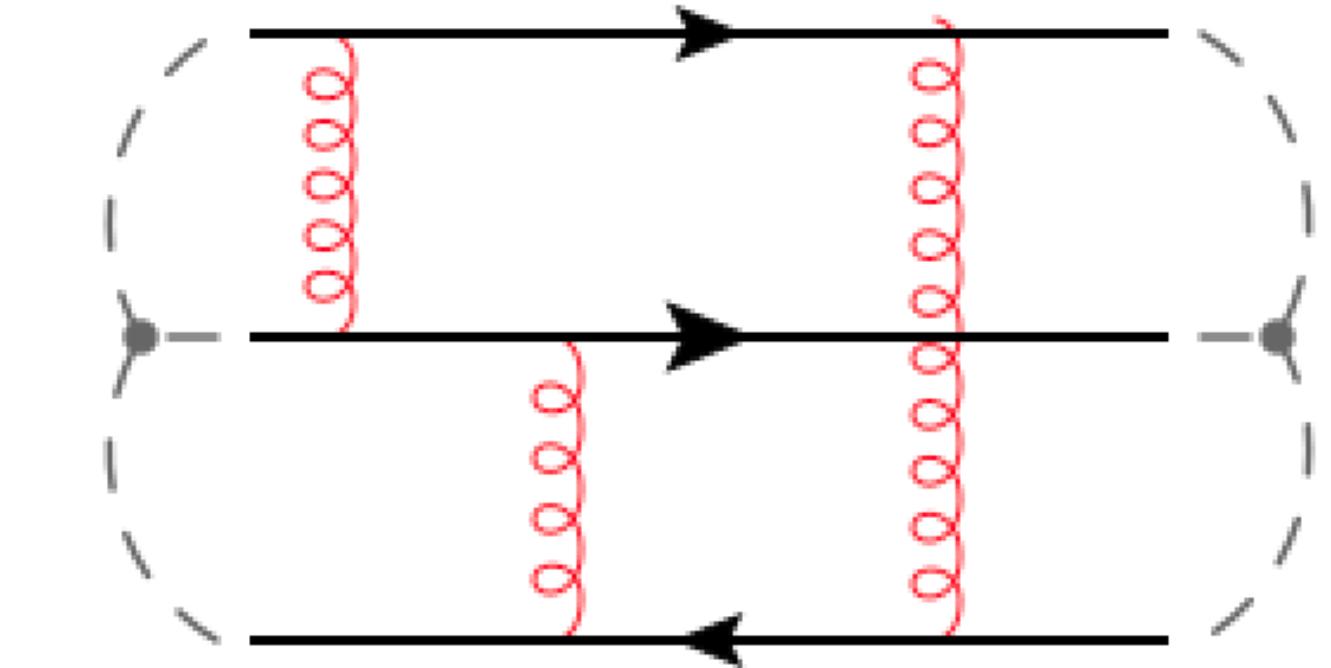




# MEDIUM-INDUCED RADIATION

Baier, Dokshitzer, Mueller, Peigné, Schiff (1996); Zakharov (1996) (Arnold, Moore, Yaffe (2003))

$$z \frac{dI_{ba}}{dz} = \frac{\alpha_s z P_{ba}(z)}{(z(1-z)E)^2} 2\text{Re} \int_0^\infty dt_2 \int_0^{t_2} dt_1 \\ \partial_x \cdot \partial_y [\mathcal{K}_{ba}(\mathbf{x}, t_2; \mathbf{y}, t_1) - \mathcal{K}_0(\mathbf{x}, t_2; \mathbf{y}, t_1)]_{\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{y}=0}$$



- integrated over  $\mathbf{k}$ , divergences regulated by vacuum subtraction

$$\left[ i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial^2}{2z(1-z)E} + iv_{ba}(\mathbf{x}, t) \right] \mathcal{K}_{ba}(\mathbf{x}, t; \mathbf{y}, t_0) = i\delta(t - t_0)\delta(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y})$$

3-body potential:

$$v_{ba}^c(\mathbf{x}, t) = \frac{C_b + C_c - C_a}{2} \tilde{v}(\mathbf{x}, t) + \frac{C_c + C_a - C_b}{2} \tilde{v}(z\mathbf{x}, t) + \frac{C_a + C_b - C_c}{2} \tilde{v}((1-z)\mathbf{x}, t)$$



# OPACITY EXPANSION

Wiedemann (2000); Gyulassy, Levai, Vitev (2001)

Spectrum reads:

$$\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} = \frac{4\alpha_s C_R}{\omega} \text{Re } i \int_0^L dt_2 \int_0^{t_2} dt_1 \int_{\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}_0} \Sigma(\mathbf{p}^2, t_2) \frac{\mathbf{p} \cdot \mathbf{p}_0}{\mathbf{p}^2} \mathcal{K}(\mathbf{p}, t_2; \mathbf{p}_0, t_1)$$

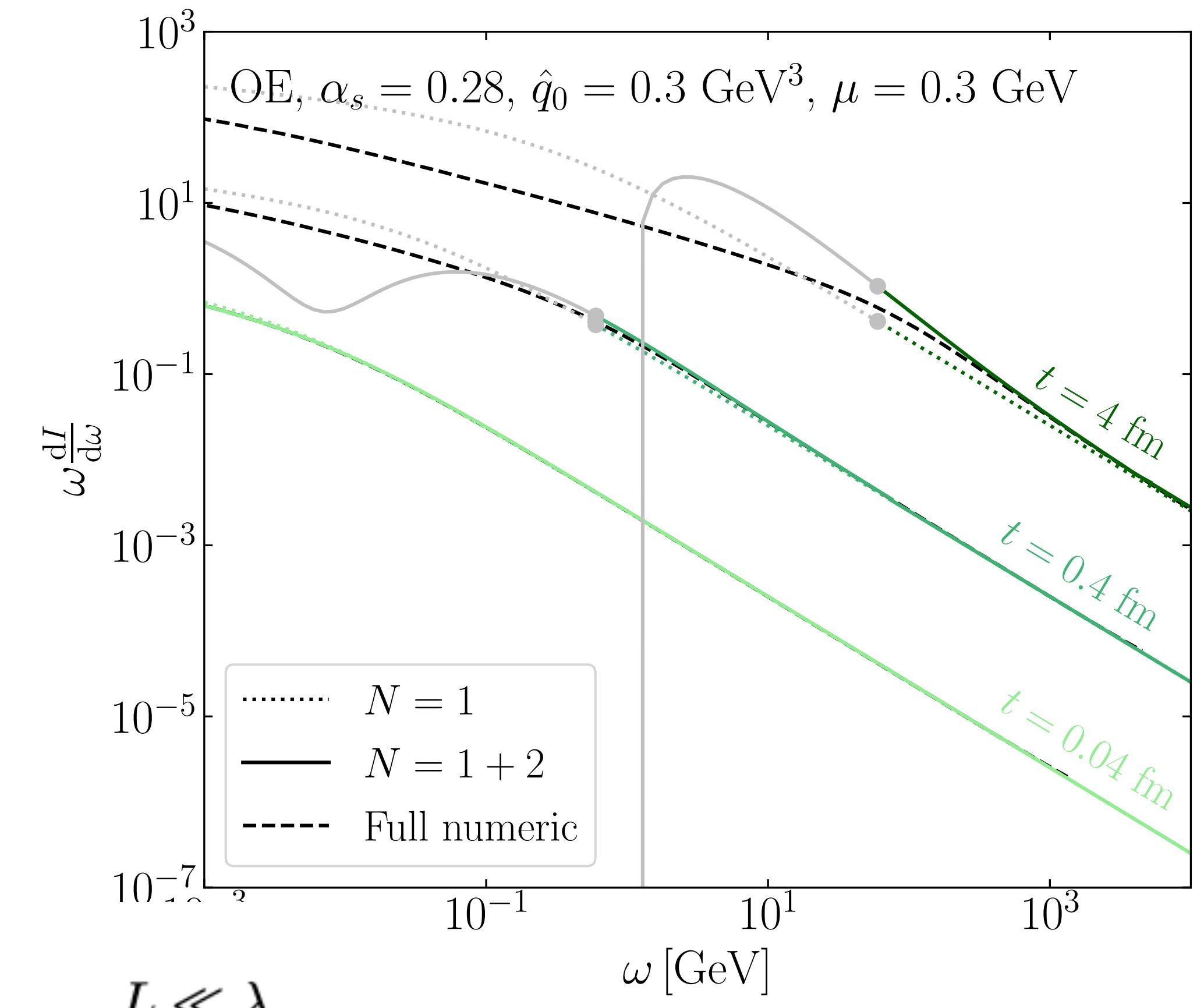
$$\Sigma(\mathbf{k}^2, s) = \int_{\mathbf{q}} \sigma(\mathbf{q}, s) \Theta(\mathbf{q}^2 - \mathbf{k}^2)$$

Expansion in medium scatterings:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K}(\mathbf{p}, t_2; \mathbf{p}_0, t_1) &= (2\pi)^2 \delta(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_0) \mathcal{K}_0(\mathbf{p}; t_2 - t_1) \\ &\quad - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} ds \int_{\mathbf{q}} \mathcal{K}_0(\mathbf{p}; t_2 - s) v(\mathbf{q}, s) \mathcal{K}(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}, s; \mathbf{p}_0, t_1) \end{aligned}$$

All-order structure:

$$\omega \frac{dI}{d\omega} = \begin{cases} \bar{\alpha} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{L}{\lambda} \right)^n h_n \left( \frac{\omega}{\bar{\omega}_c} \right), & L \ll \lambda, \\ \bar{\alpha} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{L \bar{\omega}_c}{\lambda \omega} \right)^n \tilde{h}_n \left( \frac{\bar{\omega}_c}{\omega} \right), & \omega \gg \frac{L}{\lambda} \bar{\omega}_c. \end{cases}$$





# RESUMMED OPACITY EXPANSION

Wiedeman (2000)  
Andres, Dominguez, Gonzalez Martinez 2011.06522  
Isaksen, Takacs, KT (in preparation)

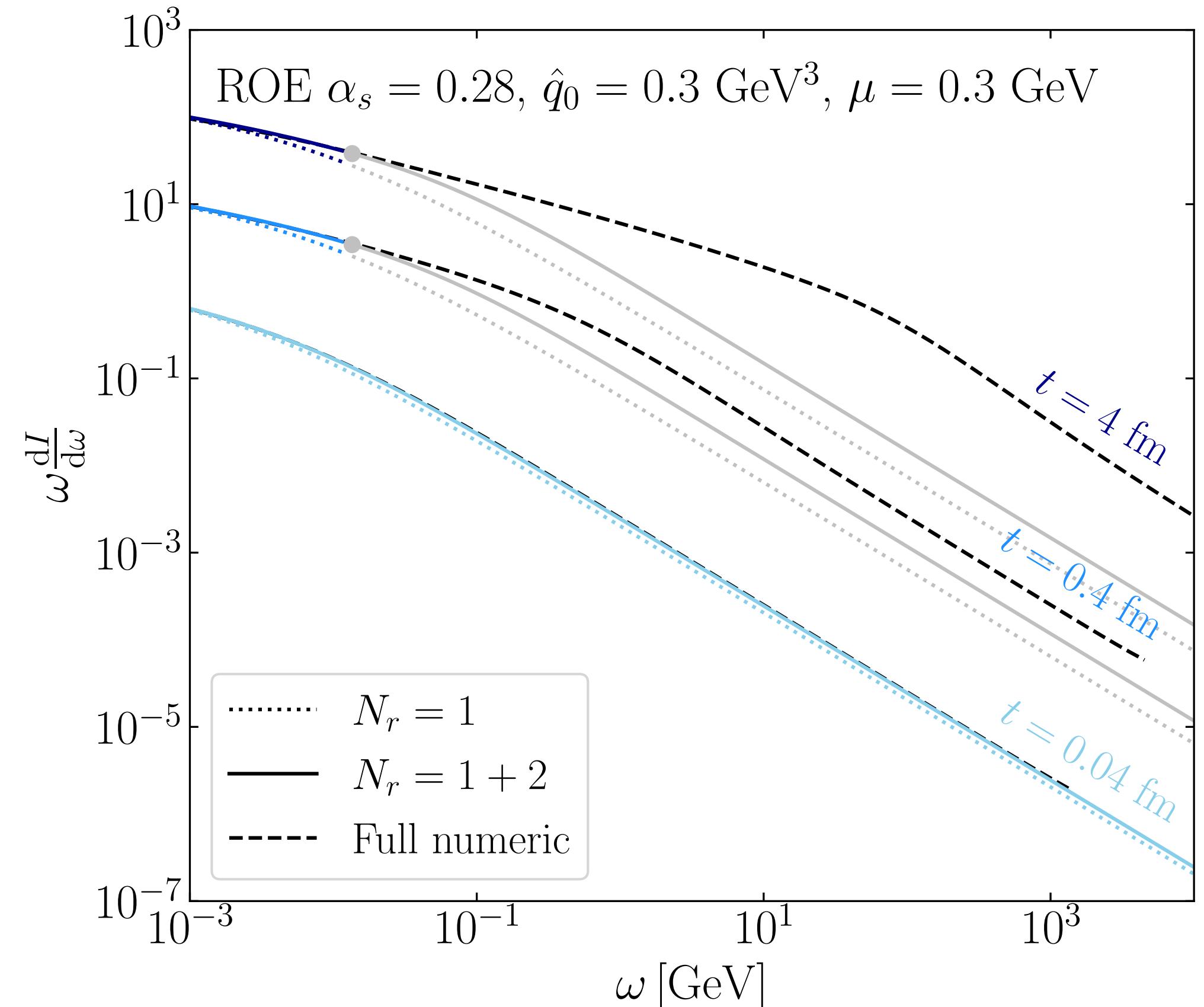
Expansion in "real" scatterings (virtual resummed):

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{K}(\mathbf{p}, t; \mathbf{p}_0, t_0) &= (2\pi)^2 \delta(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{p}_0) \Delta(t, t_0) \mathcal{K}_0(\mathbf{p}; t - t_0) \\ &+ \int_{t_0}^t ds \frac{\Delta(t, t_0)}{\Delta(s, t_0)} \int_{\mathbf{q}} \mathcal{K}_0(\mathbf{p}; t_2 - s) \sigma(\mathbf{q}, s) \mathcal{K}(\mathbf{p} - \mathbf{q}, s; \mathbf{p}_0, t_0)\end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta(t, t_0) \equiv e^{-\int_{t_0}^t ds \Sigma(s)} = e^{-\Sigma(t-t_0)}$$

probability of no elastic scattering

$$\Sigma(t) = \int_{\mathbf{q}} \sigma(\mathbf{q}, t)$$



Equivalent to OE at  $L \ll \lambda$  and formally breaking down at  $\omega_{\text{BH}}$ .



# IMPROVED OPACITY EXPANSION

Mehtar-Tani 1903.00506  
Mehtar-Tani, Tywoniuk 1910.02032  
Mehtar-Tani, Barata 2004.02323

Leading-log potential split into HO and remainder:

$$v^{\text{LT}}(\mathbf{x}) \equiv v^{\text{HO}}(\mathbf{x}) + \delta v(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{4}\hat{q}_0 x^2 \log \frac{Q^2}{\mu_*^2} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{q}_0 x^2 \log \frac{1}{Q^2 x^2}$$

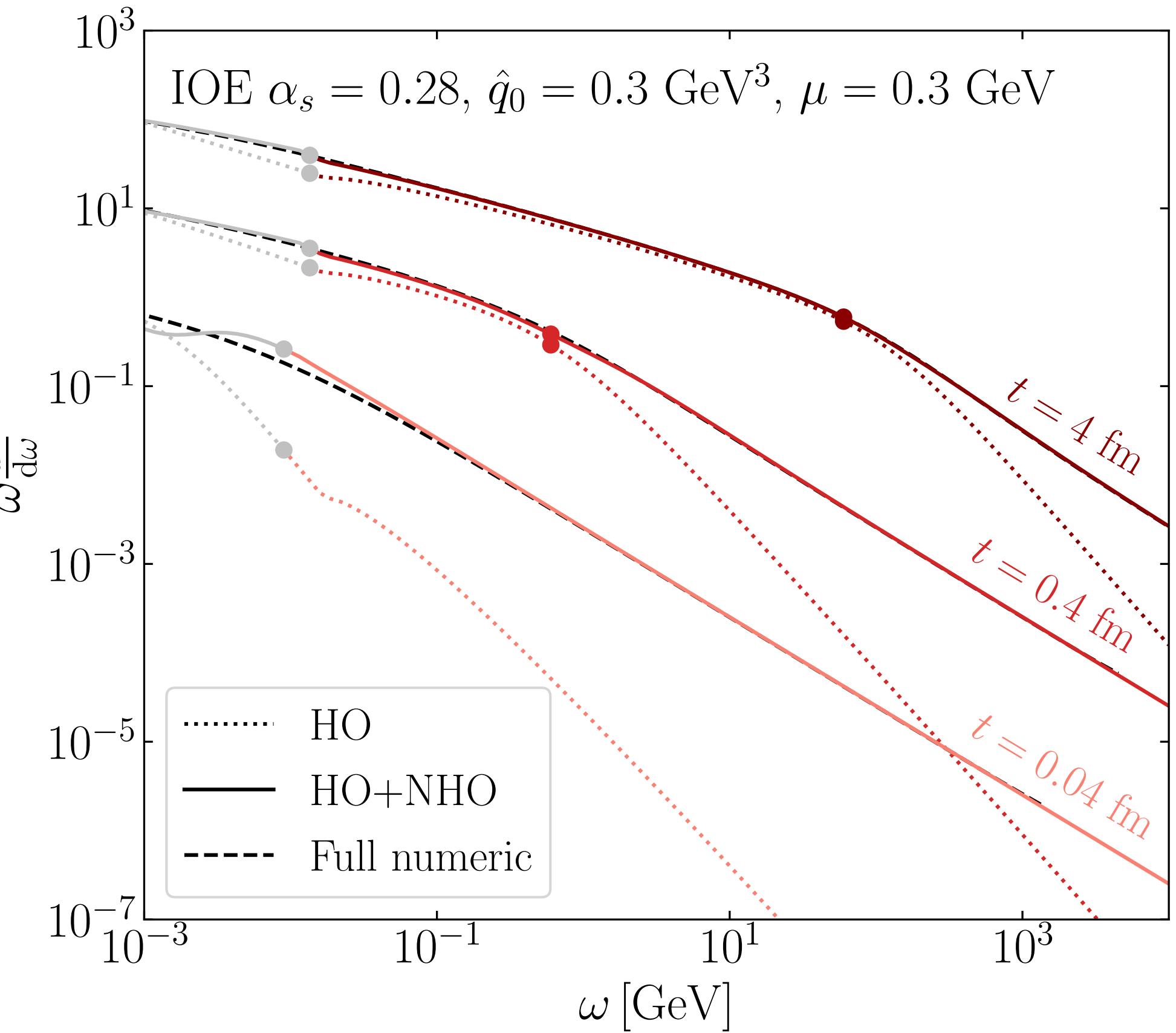
Expanding around the harmonic oscillator

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{K}(\mathbf{x}, t_2; \mathbf{y}, t_1) &= \mathcal{K}_{\text{HO}}(\mathbf{x}, t_2; \mathbf{y}, t_1) \\ &- \int_{\mathbf{z}} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} ds \mathcal{K}_{\text{HO}}(\mathbf{x}, t_2; \mathbf{z}, s) \delta v(\mathbf{z}, s) \mathcal{K}(\mathbf{z}, s; \mathbf{y}, t_1) \end{aligned}$$

Separation scale  
implicitly solved:

$$Q^2(\omega) = \sqrt{\hat{q}_0 \omega \log \frac{Q^2}{\mu_*^2}}$$

Redefinition: "dressed" transport coefficient:



$$\hat{q} = \frac{\langle k_\perp^2 \rangle_{\text{typ}}}{L} = \hat{q}_0 \log \frac{Q_s^2}{\mu_*^2}$$